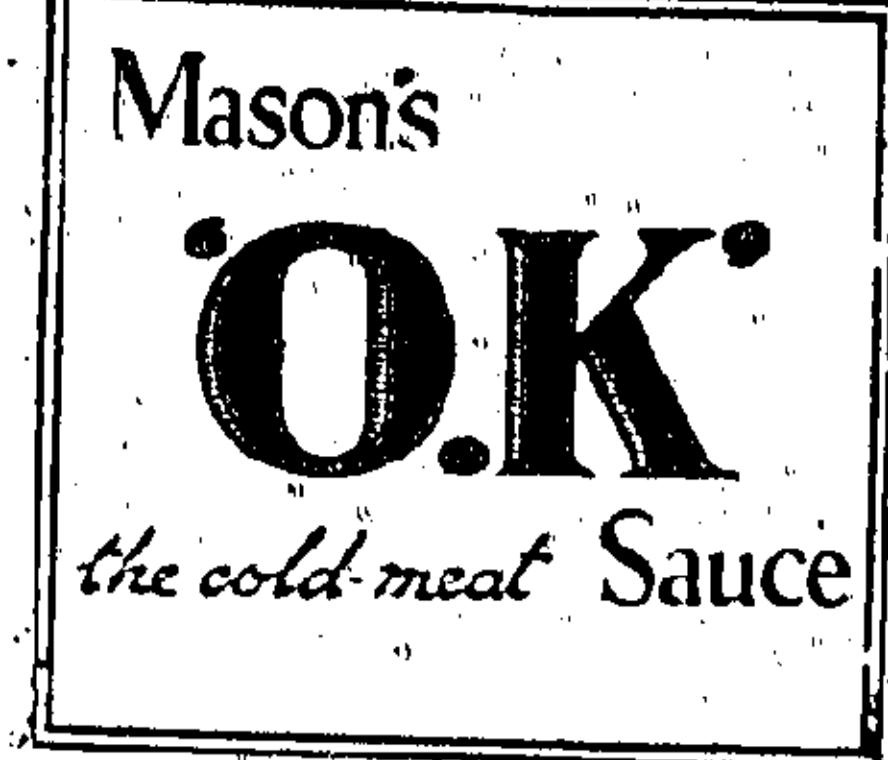


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WASHINGTON MAINTAINS COMPLETE SECRECY AS THE FATEFUL DAY OF ABROGATION APPROACHES

No Temporary Agreement

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—Authoritative circles disclosed today that the United States will not enter even a temporary agreement to replace the Commercial Treaty with Japan which expires on Jan. 26, unless Japan has made effective guarantees that American interests will receive equal and fair treatment hereafter in the Japanese-occupied areas in China.



Chinese Maritime Customs officers on the Shataukok border examine everything in or out of Chinese territory. Here is an officer making an examination for contraband.

"Make Your Dollars Fight For Freedom"

CANADA'S FIRST WAR LOAN

OTTAWA, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—Canada's first war loan was opened to subscription today with the slogan "Make your dollars fight for freedom."

One of the first subscription to be received was one of \$25,000 from the Dionne Quintuplets Trust Fund.

Colonel Ralston, Canadian Finance Minister, declared that Canadians should concentrate on winning the war by subscribing to the war loan. He added that United Kingdom purchases from Canada in the first year of the war will amount to \$100,000,000.

NIGHT FLIGHT OVER GERMANY

LONDON, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—It is believed that British reconnaissance planes flew over northern Germany during the night. German wireless stations were silent for some time which is the usual practice when British planes are in the vicinity.

The Air Ministry made no official announcement but it is understood that only in cases of exceptional flights, similar to those to Vienna and Prague, will an announcement be made to the future.

See Also Page 7

Compulsory Service Tribunal

Public sessions of the Compulsory Service Tribunal appointed by His Excellency the Governor under the Compulsory Service Ordinance, No. 32 of 1939, will be held in the Council Chamber, Colonial Secretariat, at 4.15 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 22, Friday, Jan. 23 and Monday, Jan. 26.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—THE COMPLETE SECRECY THAT HAS BEEN MAINTAINED IN OFFICIAL CIRCLES HERE CONCERNING FUTURE AMERICAN-JAPANESE RELATIONS SHOWS NO SIGNS OF BEING LIFTED AS THE FATEFUL DAY OF JAN. 26, WHEN THE ABROGATION OF THE EXISTING TRADE TREATY BECOMES EFFECTIVE, APPROACHES.

Only one thing emerges as certain out of the welter of irresponsible speculation that has been the order of the day here is that a new treaty cannot be signed by the President alone.

The President could abrogate a treaty by his own power but Congress alone can provide a new treaty.

The general expectation among foreign diplomatic circles here is that after Jan. 26 conditions provided for under the existing treaty will be allowed to continue almost indefinitely on the month-to-month basis so that no new treaty will be negotiated nor any drastic change enforced.

It should be emphasised, however, that there is not one shred of official evidence to confirm even this prediction which must, therefore, remain in the realm of speculation until such time as the present official silence is finally broken.

"EXPECT SOMETHING"

TOKYO, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—"We expect something from the Department of State before January 26," declared a Foreign Office spokesman at the press conference this morning.

Forecasting that there would be no change in the continuity of Japanese foreign diplomacy, he revealed that Mr. Kensuke Horinouchi, Japanese Ambassador in Washington, on December 23 presented a draft for modus vivendi to Mr. Cordell Hull, U.S. Secretary of State.

PARIS, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—Publication of the well-known evening newspaper Journal Des Debats has been suspended for two days by the censorship authorities.

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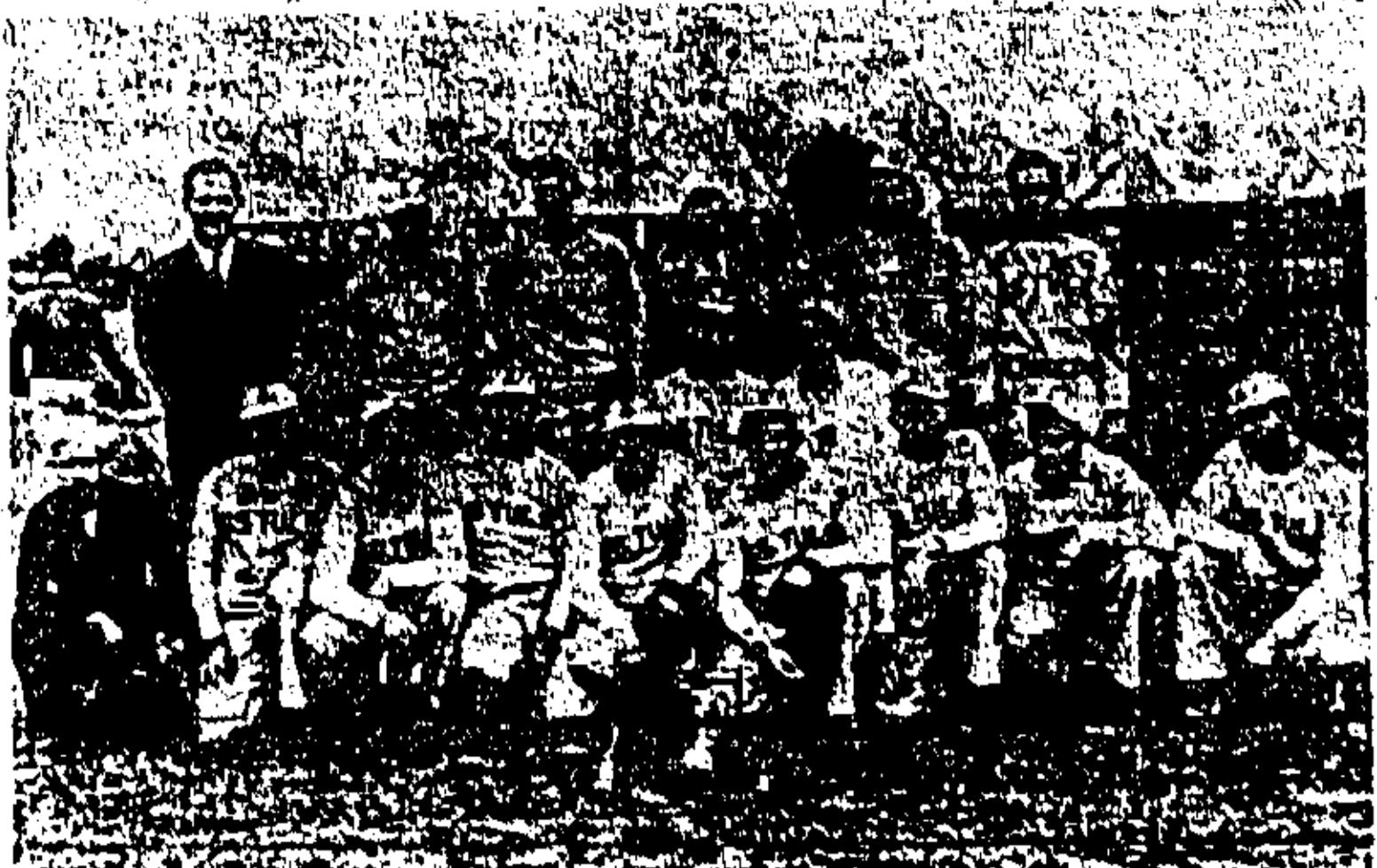
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The U.S. S. S. Tulsa softball team which beat the Combined Chinese in a charity encounter at the Kowloon Football Club on Sunday.

Kotewall Cup Competition

ARMY TO PLAY NAVY ON THURSDAY

The Army will play Navy in the first round of the Kotewall Cup Competition on the South China ground at Caroline Hill on Thursday, Jan. 18, instant, instead of on Wednesday, Jan. 17, as originally arranged.

In the second round of this competition, to be played on Sunday, Jan. 21, South China will meet the losers in the first round.

The match will take place on a neutral ground, that is, the Army ground at Sookunpoo if the Army wins, or the Navy ground at Causeway Bay, if Navy wins.

H.K. DERBY SWEEP: 68,000 TICKETS SOLD

Tickets sold in the Hongkong Jockey Club's Derby Sweep, to be drawn on Monday, Feb. 19, had exceeded 68,000 yesterday. Though sales have so far been sluggish, it is expected that an improvement will be shown towards Chinese New Year.

Proceeds this year, after deduction of payment for prizes and expenses, will be donated to the British War Organisation Fund and the British Fund for the Relief of Distress in China.

SPORTING FIXTURES

TO-DAY GOLF.—Third Round, Railway and Ross Cups.

HUNTING.—Annual Meeting, Fanling Hunt and Race Club, Jardine Matheson's Board Room.

RUGBY.—Army League, Middlesex v. 8th Hvy. Regt. (Sookunpoo), 2.45 p.m.; Engineers v. Royal Scots (Sookunpoo), 4 p.m.

TO-MORROW BADMINTON.—B. Division K.C.C. v. V.R.C.; St. John's v. King's College; Recrelo v. Kowloon Tong.

LAWN BOWLS.—H.E. the Governor's Team v. U.S.R.C., at U.S.R.C., 3.30 p.m.

RIFLE SHOOTING.—Spoon and Practice Shoot, Kowloon City.

BOXING CONTROL

FUTURE OF THE BOARD

Mr. Sydney Hulls, the boxing promoter, and Mr. Jack Solomons, manager of Eric Bonn, resigned their membership of the British Boxing Board of Control at a meeting of the board when both were asked to answer charges of having broken regulations, says Harold Lewis in the Daily Telegraph.

Mr. Hulls was being examined with regard to permitting an unauthorised person to enter a dressing-room and Mr. Solomons was concerned in incidents at the recent tournament at Harringay.

Mr. Hulls told me that his decision meant that he would not pay the board's 5 per cent "tax" on the Harringay tournament. He will continue to promote boxing.

The effect of this is that all associated with Mr. Hulls—boxers, managers, referees, seconds and timekeepers—must either be people not holding the board's licence or if they hold it to forfeit it at once.

"I see no difficulty," said Mr. Hulls. If this is so, it means the end of the Board of Control.

H.K. HOCKEY CLUB'S NAVY "A" TO MEET TEAM TO MEET R.A.M.C. AT RUGGER

The following team will represent the 1st XI of the Hongkong Hockey Club versus the H.K.S.A. R.A. on the Club ground tomorrow (Jan. 17) at 5 p.m.

V. M. Benwell, V. C. Bond, E. V. Reed, N. B. Whitley, W. A. Reed, R. A. Bates, S. Fowler, D. S. Carey, G. E. R. Divett (CAPT.), T. D. Whitley, B. I. Bickford.

F.A. MEETING POSTPONED

The meeting of the Hongkong Football Association Council, which was to have been held yesterday to inquire into the conduct on the field on two Royal Scots players was postponed to next Monday owing to the Regiment being out on exercises.

MINISTERS TAKE SHORT FLYING TRIP

LONDON, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—The Dominions Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, the new War Minister, Mr. Oliver Stanley, and Mr. S. M. Bruce, Australian High Commissioner in London, went for a short flight in one of the giant Sunderland flying-boats used in coastal reconnaissance work by Australian airmen.

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They were piloted by Australians.

BRITISH WAR ORGANIZATION FUND, HONGKONG: GENERAL WU TE-CHEN'S BIG DONATION

The latest list of subscriptions to the British War Organization Fund, Hongkong Branch, contains a number of interesting items, which brings the total of the Fund now to \$368,714.32.

Chief among these is a donation of \$10,000 from Mr. Haakon J. Wallem, of Bergen, who is well-known in the Colony, and a donation of \$3,262.64 from General Wu Te-chen, Minister for Overseas Affairs in Chungking.

The list includes an item of \$2,137.85, which was raised by the Navy, Army and Air Force Christians Draw at the China Fleet Club—a commendable effort of the men themselves.

H.K. POLICE FORCE

All contingents and clerical staff of the Hongkong Police Force have subscribed \$1,422.15, while Indian Guards and Watchmen of the Force have subscribed \$538.

A CORRECTION

In last week's list the items appearing as "Royal Naval Hospital Children's Party" was wrongly named, as the Party was organized by the Entertainments Committee and held at the Peninsula Hotel.

COMPLETE LIST

The following is the complete list:

Previously Acknowledged \$342,912.50
Sum Chung Hing 100; Sun Yat Cho 100; Ng Hui Sang 100; Leung Fung Po 100; Wing Hing 100; Mak Fung Crow 20; Sead Shing 5; Choy Kit 5; General Wu Te-chen \$1,262.64; H. M. Miller (Monthly) 15; Haakon J. Wallem 10,000; St. Andrew's Society—Scottish Concert 1930-70; Kowloon Cricket Club—Children's Sports 26.70; Anonymous 50; Lambert Dunbar and Co. 250; J. N. Gershovich 100; Foreign Staff—H.K. Telephone Co. December 145; Wallace Harper and Co. Junior Staff 20; Peter C. Jackson 10; Some of the Chinese Staff—Holts Wharf 44.03; M. J. Patel 300; Stewards Dept. (Chinese Crew) S.S. Nellor 25; Stewards Dept. (Chinese Crews) S.S. Tanda 25; Misses (Alleen and Doris Woods) (Monthly) 5; Passbook Holders—Shui Tai and Co. 150; Gap Road School 20; Navy Army and Air Force—Xmas Draw at China Fleet Club 2,137.85; In appreciation of a Bonus 25; Hong Kong Police Force—All contingents and clerical staff—December 1,422.15; Hongkong Police Force—Indian Guards and Watchmen 533; Joseph Prentice (Monthly) 25; T. J. Fenwick (Monthly) 40; E. P. Streetfield (Monthly) 30; W. W. Rae (Monthly) 25; E. A. R. Newton-January 25; Mr. and Mrs. Ngan Shing Kwan 300; South China AA 100; Fung Wai Hin 5; Leung Cho Yu 5; Cheung Man Tung 5; Li Yuen Sum 5; Cheung Hing Sui 10; Kan Shu Cho 50; Yuen Tat Son 100; Wing Shing Loong 25; Luen Tai Insurance Co. Ltd. 50; Wing On Insurance Co. Ltd. 50; Man Insurance Co. Ltd. 50; Tung On Insurance Co. Ltd. 50; Chinese Medicine Merchants Union Club 300; Kwong Chun 10; Man Fook Shing 10; Wing Shun Wo 10; Wal Yuen Chong 10; Staff, Secretary for Chinese Affairs Office \$1.50; Sincere Insurance Co. 50; Chin On Fire Insurance Co. Ltd. 50; The Yat Cho 50; Loke Yung Cheong 500; Per Mr. Yeung Pat Pui 64.50; Chung Shan Chamber of Commerce 100; Anonymous 50; Total \$368,714.32.

On Ginger Co. 25; Sun Chan 5; Hang Heung Yuen 5; Tsui Heung Yuen 10.

Lai Kwok Neon Light Co. 5; Tai Kwong Ming Optical Co. 5; Sui Yiel 5; Chung-Yuen Electric Co. 10; Sun Choi Lung 5; Kam Moon Co. 10; Choi Shui Restaurant 5; Li Ling 5; Lok Wah 5; Leung Fook 5; Tung Yuen Restaurant 10; Tin Wah Restaurant 10; Yip Cheung Lung Win Chan Chai Wing Sun Cheung Kwong Chak Yam Hon Man Hon No. 53; Deo Vouk Rd. Mow Cheung Tan Chak Wah Shun Chan Chak Radio Co. To Yee Kok Mok Tuk Mai Leung Tui Nam Mak Kam For Sui Lo Wing Fat Printing Co. each 55; Tai Sang Goldsmith Shop 10; Lam Fai 10; Far East Motor Car Co. 5; Ip Man Hing 5; Tai Ho Romance Torsorial Parlour 5; Tai Hing Goldsmith Shop 10; Tai Wah Goldsmith Shop 10; La Wo Glass Shop 10; Shing Cheung 5; Kwong Hing Lung Glass Factory 20; Kwong Tai Lung Glass Factory 25; Sai Wah Lead Factory 10; Tung Wo Hing 5; Sam Shing Wo 20; O. W. Luke 100; J. S. Dunnett (Monthly) 20; Miss K. M. Anderson (Monthly) 50; Miss I. N. Watkins 40; H. S. Hills 250; Some of the Chinese Staff—Wilkinson and Grist (Dec.) 20; D. G. Day (Monthly) 15; A. H. Guinness (Monthly) 20; Anonymous 40; Working Party V.S. R.C. 30; S. E. Edgar 5.

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BANKER'S ORDER

Miss K. M. Anderson \$50.

ARSENAL DRAW WITH MILLWALL

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Arsenal, playing Millwall for the first time for 30 years, pulled up to draw 3-3 after being three down. Leslie Compton, the best full-back who ever turned himself into a centre forward, scored twice in a second-half storm.

The faithful assembled to the tune of 15,000 for the match—the capacity maximum allowed. And so for the second week running the outside attendance was reached with the Arsenal the drawing card each time.

The match itself was a pipkin, fast and open, with Millwall spurtng off from the whistle like sprinters. They piled on the pressure, gradually eased under the severity of the Arsenal defence, and found, like so many sides before them, that they were up against the best second-half team in the country.

SPURS TEST BARTRAM

Tottenham 4 Charlton 2

It was well for Charlton that Sam Bartram was in fine form between the sticks.

Tottenham's new "shooting star" Bennett, fired shots at him from all angles. Charlton were outclassed both at half-back and forward, yet they made a great fight of it.

Spurs opened the scoring through Bennett, and three minutes from the interval Robinson equalised.

Charlton took the lead after 81 minutes, when Brown took advantage of a mistake by Hooper. This lead did not last long, however, for Bennett forced his way through for his second goal.

Tottenham piled on the pressure and Sergeant put them in front again.

Barnsley just won.

Barnsley 2 Notts County 1 Barnsley made strong attacks, in

New German Ban On Private Cars

URGENT JOURNEYS ONLY

The New Year has brought further restrictions of the use of motor-cars in Germany. The running of private cars is now prohibited unless the owner can satisfy the police, who will picket the roads, that his business or professional errand could not have been accomplished by any other means.

Driving to a restaurant or theatre is an offence punishable with imprisonment.

An owner must keep his vehicle in going condition, however, ready for instant requisitioning. The penalty for failure to obey this order is imprisonment or penal servitude.

Only about 15 per cent. of the number of registered private cars are now on the road. There are practically no taxicabs.—Daily Telegraph

500,000 CARS MAY BE LAID UP

Nearly half the private cars in England were, on the latest estimate, been laid up or sold for scrap when the year expired.

Owing to petrol rationing just under 400,000 cars were laid up at the end of the September quarter. Now there is the new 25s per h.p. tax to be faced as well as strictly rationed petrol at 10d a gallon. According to an official of the newly formed motor trade "war executive" report collected from all parts of the country indicate that one-third of the remaining 1,600,000 cars still in use will not be re-licensed at the New Year.

If these estimates prove at all accurate, the result will not only be disastrous to one of the biggest retail trades in the country, but a serious drop in revenue for the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

The 900,000 cars to be laid up will include almost all the high-power vehicles, which to the tax-collector are the most lucrative. Assuming that they average only 16 h.p. and to be laid up only for the first quarter, Sir John Simon will lose £5 in vehicle tax on each, or £4,500,000.

LOSS ON PETROL

If using only the basic petrol ration each car would consume in the three months 24 gallons, which is equivalent to 18s each in petrol tax revenue of £810,000 for the lot, making a total loss to the Treasury from this wholesale laying up of £5,300,000 for the three months.

But the blow will fall more directly and more swiftly on the retail motor trade with its 25,000 firms, large and small, and its 250,000 employees. Many of these are already hard put to it to pay their rates and not a few are bankrupt. The distress in the New Year, with the trade reduced by 80 per cent. or more will be deep and widespread.

The motor trade's "war executive" which intends to bring the greatest possible pressure on the Chancellor when Parliament re-assembles, is now urging car owners to think again before finally deciding to lay up their cars.

They point out to owners that once a car has been laid up it will be difficult to sustain a claim for supplementary rations afterwards.—Daily Telegraph.

NO KNOWLEDGE OF HOSPITAL BURNING

TOKYO, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—Referring to the burning by Japanese soldiers of the hospital of the British-owned Methodist-Missionary Society near Wutting, Shantung, on Christmas Day, a Foreign Office spokesman said that he had no knowledge of the incident.

He thought no protest had been made.

which Steele, Bullock, and Smith were prominent.

Steele scored for Barnsley, but Notts Co. pressed, and Duncan equalised. England gave Barnsley the lead just before the interval.

Barnsley attacked strongly on resuming. Steele twice sending over the bar, and Bullock narrowly missed, scoring. Hall, the County goalkeeper, gave a good display, and Mills and Baffey were sound defenders.

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VOLUNTEER ORDERS

ORDERS BY LT.-COL. H. B. ROSE, M.C., COMMANDANT, HONGKONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS

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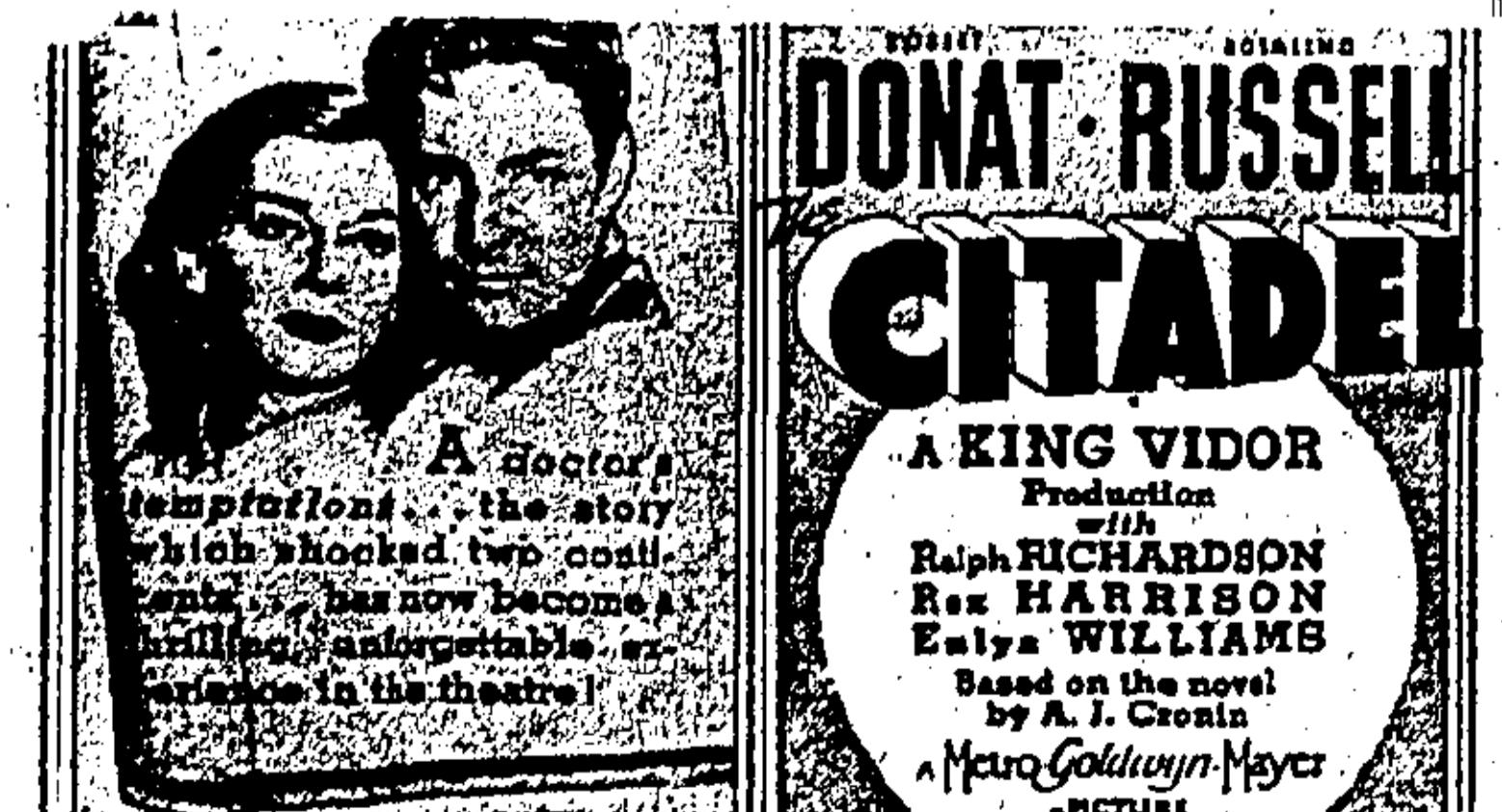
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16-Tides: High 12 midnight and 2.11 p.m. Low 7.29 a.m. and 7.21 p.m. Sunrise: 7.06 a.m.; Sunset 6 p.m. St. Andrew's Club, Whist Drive (open to public).

Fanling Hunt and Race Club Annual Meeting, Jardine, Matheson and Co's Office, 5.30 p.m.

Urban Council Mtg. 4.15 p.m. St. Andrews Mothers' Union, Annual Mtg.

Army Teachers' Club, Annual Dinner, Cafe Wileman, 8 p.m.

Y.M.C.A.: Bridge Class, 10 a.m.; Badminton, 8 p.m.

H.E. the Governor Visits Girls' and Boys' Club, 5.30 p.m.-7.30 p.m.

H.K. Rotary Club Tiffin Mtg. 1 p.m.

Speaker: Mr. F. C. Clemo.

Cheung Club, Whist Drive, 8.45 p.m.

Kowloon Chess Club, Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

Soldiers' Guild of St. George, Scandal Point Hall, 7 p.m.

Examination of Masters, Mates and Mariners for Certificate of Competency.

Christ Church Vicarage: Parochial Church Council, 6 p.m.

S. and S. Home Prayer and Fellowship Mtg. 8.30 p.m.

Ladies Working Party (G.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

17-Tides: High 12.34 a.m. and 2.45 p.m. Low 8 a.m. and 8.58 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.06 a.m.; Sunset: 6 p.m. H.K.R.A. Shoot.

Exhibition of Chinese Photographs, etc., by H.K. Promotion Committee of the C.I.C. at China Emporium.

Lawn Bowls: H.E.'s Team v. U.S. R.C. at US.R.C., 3.30 p.m.

Y.M.C.A.: Badminton; Lecture by Prof. E. Reifer on "The Science of Language and Politics" 9 p.m.

Cheung Club, Dance, 8.30 p.m.

Kowloon Union Church, Women's Guild, 10 a.m.

Cathedral Women's Fellowship Working Party, Cathedral Hall, 10 a.m.

Garrison Sergs. Mess, Whist Drive, 9.15 p.m.

S. and S. Home, Methodist Ladies' Mah-jongg Drive, 3 p.m.

18-Theosophical Society, 6 p.m.—Speaker: Mr. J. L. Hadaway "The Opportunity in Theology."

Y.M.C.A.: Games Morning, 10 a.m.; St. John's First Aid Lecture, 10 a.m.

St. Andrew's Club Whist Drive (open to the public).

Gloucester and Peninsula Hotels, 5-

Cheung Club, Contract Bridge Leagues, 8 p.m.

Chess Championships commence, 8 p.m.

H.K. University Arts Assn. presents "The Professor from Peking" (School performance), in Great Hall, 7 p.m.

Criminal Sessions open, 10 a.m.

Entries close for Macao Races.

19-Central British Assn. Dance, Crown Lane Sales, D.O. South, 11 a.m.

H.K. University Arts Association presents "The Professor from Peking" in the Great Hall, 8.45 p.m.

Y.M.C.A.: Badminton.

S. and S. Home, Jumble Sale, 2.30 p.m.

Cheung Club, Darts, Ping-Pong and Billiards.

H.K. Ladies Hockey Club, Annual Dance, Peninsula Hotel, 9.15 p.m.

20-H.K.R.A. Shoot.

R.E.O.C.A. Supper Dance.

C.B.A. and C.B.S. Reunion Cabaret Supper Dance, H.K. Hotel, 9 p.m.

21-Fanling Hunt and Race Club, Kwantai Races.

First Round of H.K. Golf Club Junior Championship due for completion.

22-First H.K.V.D.C. Camp Starts at Fanling.

St. Andrew's Club, Hotch-Potch Evening.

24-H.K.R.A. Shoot.

C.B.A. "Ho" Russian Dinner, 8.30 p.m.

Claims against H.K. Meat & Daily Produce Co. (Liquidation) due.

25-London Relay-The News 8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

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9.05 Studio—Comments on Recent Events.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

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Boston Symphony Orchestra conducted by Serge Koussevitzky.

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11.00 London Relay—"In England Now."

11.15 Close down.

8.03 Studio—Two-Plane Recital by Herbert and Bernard Huff (from The Gloucester Hotel).

8.20 Selections from Kalman's "Countess Marianne." Edith Lorand and Her Viennese Orchestra.

8.33 R.R.C. Recording—"Poor Polly."

A Sketch.

8.47 Barnabas, Von Geacy and His Orchestra.

Hindu Song ("Sacko"—Rimsky-Korsakov); Valse Triste (Sibelius).

8.53 Studio—Chinese Paintings in Hongkong.

A talk by Elsie Cholmeley, Secretary to the Hongkong Committee of the Chinese Industrial Cooperatives.

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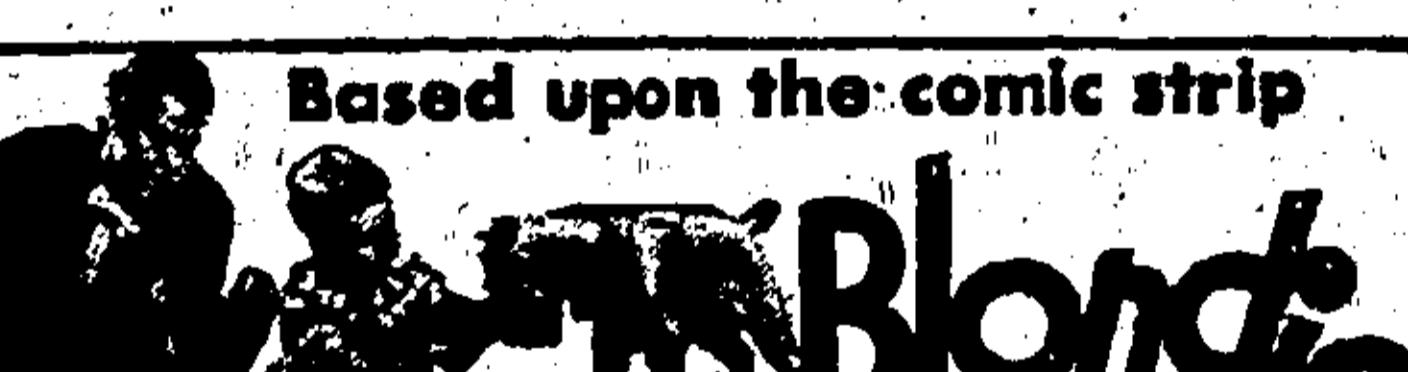
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NO MEDIATION BY NAZI

Vicious Spiral Of Rising Prices In Britain: Press Comment On War Means & Methods

Protest Against Any Undue Demands On Resources

LONDON, JAN. 15 (REUTER)—THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT HAS LAUNCHED A PLATFORM CAMPAIGN WHICH WILL ENABLE THE MINISTERS TO MAKE DIRECT CONTACT WITH THE PUBLIC AND TO SPEAK TO THEM ABOUT VARIOUS ASPECTS OF THE WAR.

The Prime Minister started the ball rolling with his speech on Tuesday at Mansion House and this was continued in Glasgow on Saturday by the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Both spoke more on the means and methods of the war, rather than on the war itself and this was taken up by yesterday's British press.

The Sunday Times, for instance, says that the people of Britain, on the whole, know why they are fighting. They want to be told, not that sacrifices are necessary, but what sacrifices and why.

MAIN QUESTION

The main question, continues the paper, is: "Are we all doing everything in our power to restrict consumption and to keep down prices and from making undue demands on shipping and our existing resources?

"As we," asks the paper, "doing anything to prevent prices and wages from moving upward in a vicious spiral which benefits no one in the long run and endangers all? So far this problem has been met by taxation, piromotion of savings and rationing."

TAXATION & CONSUMPTION

"Taxation," says the Sunday Times, "is mainly directed at the better-to-do classes and at the very top income tax and surtax now amounts to seventeen shillings in the pound. But two-thirds of the consumption in Britain is by those earning less than £5 a week."

"Here there was the necessity of thorough co-operation from workers and so savings came into being."

REIGN OF TERROR PLOT FOR CHIEF OF U.S. REVEALED BY AMERICA'S G-MEN

Over 62,000 Aliens Now In Britain

436 GERMANS AND 50 AUSTRIANS INTERNED

AMERICA'S G-MEN
Dictatorship Plan: Arsenal In New York

18 MEMBERS OF CHRISTIAN FRONT ARRESTED

NEW YORK, Jan. 15 (REUTER)—Eighteen members of an organization called the "Christian Front" were arrested by U.S. Federal Bureau agents on charges of conspiracy to create a revolution in the United States to overthrow the Government and to establish a dictatorship, announced Mr. Edgar Hoover, Chief of America's G-Men.

A small arsenal was unearthed in New York City, which it is alleged, the Christian Front intended for a revolutionary purpose.

ERADICATION OF JEWS

The arrested persons are said to have functioned as a sports club and to have planned a reign of terror to begin on Jan. 20, for bringing about the eradication of all Jews and the seizure of public utilities, while the conspiracy called for the bombing of offices of the Jewish daily newspaper "Forward," the seizure of the customs in New York City, the Federal Reserve banks throughout America and the National Guard.

PRINCIPAL LEADER

Mr. Hoover declared that the principal leader among those arrested is John F. Cassidy, leader of the Christian Front, who was addressed by his followers as the "Führer."

Special consideration was given to cases of British-born women, who, by marriage to Germans or Austrians, had acquired their husbands nationality.

TOTAL OF 62,389

The total of 62,389 includes 48,233 refugees, of whom 120 were ordered to be interned, 5,416 were placed in category "B" and 42,697 in category "C." Of 14,156 non-refugees, 368 were ordered to be interned, 2,605 were given "B" endorsements and 11,185 were placed in category "C."

Of these 11,185, over 7,000 are women and among the 7,000 are 2,000 British-born women.

BOMBS AND RIFLES DISCOVERED

The Federal Agents in several raids confiscated bombs, a number of rifles and thousands of rounds of ammunition and it is alleged that the conspiracy was at least seven months old. Investigation is continuing for arms for the Christian Front armies elsewhere.

Mr. Hoover said that he had announced the plot at the request of

SWEDISH TERRITORY VIOLATED

BOMBS DROPPED BY UNIDENTIFIED PLANES

STOCKHOLM, JAN. 15 (REUTER)—THE FOREIGN OFFICE ANNOUNCED LAST NIGHT THAT UNKNOWN AEROPLANES YESTERDAY MORNING FLEW OVER SWEDISH TERRITORY, INCLUDING THE ARCHIPELAGO BETWEEN HAPARANDA AND LULEA. A heavy snowfall prevented identification.

Several bombs were dropped on Källaz, six miles south-west of Lulea and exploded upon the ice and investigations are proceeding to establish the origin of the bombs.

NINE BOMBS DROPPED

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 15 (REUTER)—Details from Lulea show that at least nine bombs were dropped but no damage was caused. Eight foreign planes were reported over Alnhamn, flying northwards at a great height.

A later message stated that Haparanda had its first air raid warning on Sunday owing to a raid on the Finnish town of Torneia in the vicinity.

In the recent Honours for the Navy list, which appeared in The Times of Jan. 1, 1940, Lieut.-Commander J.M.C. Cox, R.N., of H.M.S. Scorpion, and Surgeon-Lieut. V. J. R. Sheridan, of H.M.S. Mantis, both of the Yangtze flotilla, received the Distinguished Service Cross.

SEVERE AIR RAIDS OVER FINLAND

POPULATION HIDE IN TRENCHES

HELSINKI, Jan. 15 (REUTER)—It is officially stated that there were heavy bombings all over the country yesterday, especially in Hangö and Tammisaari, which were later raided five times. All communications with Hangö have been severed and it is reported that all the population of Tammisaari were in trenches; hence there were no casualties, though the Russians tried to machine-gum them.

Forty bombs were dropped at Espoo, 300 at Ra'amatuk, where there was slight damage and six bombs fell in Helsinki.

The retiring Attorney-General, Mr. Frank Murphy.

The conspirators met in the homes of the various members, at least one of whom was a member of the German-American Bund, while many members were connected with the United States Reserve Forces.

THOUSANDS OF MEMBERS

Mr. Hoover added that the Christian Front had thousands of members but refused to estimate the exact number until the completion of his nationwide investigation.

He also declined to comment on the possibility of conspiracies in other cities, but indicated that sweeping investigations were already under way.

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Australian Airmen In England

"WE ARE GOING TO CO-OPERATE AND SEE THIS THROUGH"

LONDON, Jan. 15 (BWS)—Mr. S. M. Bruce, High Commissioner of Australia, and Mr. Anthony Eden, British Dominions Secretary, yesterday inspected the R.A.F. Coastal Command Headquarters.

In the personnel of the station is the unit of the Royal Australian Air Force, the first complete Dominion air unit on service overseas.

After warmly welcoming the Australian airmen, in a brief speech, Mr. Eden said: "There is no doubt of the task that lies before us and no doubt of the nature of the struggle in which we are engaged."

NAZI DREAMS

The present leaders of Germany want world dominion. To be fair to them they have been quite frank about it and they have told us that Herr Hitler calls it "Peace under the protection of the German Power."

There are several small nations who have already learned what the protection of that power means. It is peace for them to death.

"Curiously, these people are quite sincere when they say to us they want to give us the protection of the German power and they cannot quite understand why we do not want it; but we don't."

"We have our own view, which is just the opposite: that peoples, great and small, should be allowed to live their own lives in freedom as they would. It is, therefore, a struggle for world civilization."

THE STRUGGLE

"Its outer defences, some of the small nations, have already been overrun and its great bulwarks are now being attacked. If they were to fall, there would be no lasting peace for freedom-loving nations anywhere."

"The struggle in which we are engaged is one not only for ourselves, but for our children and children's children."

"It is because you understand that so well that from Australia and elsewhere in the British Commonwealth you have come to join us in a common effort. It is because of that fact, because you are here and because countless other thousands in the British Commonwealth are in this struggle that we are confident of final victory."

TERrible QUAKE TOLL IN TURKEY

DEAD & INJURED OVER 59,000

ANKARA, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—Over 30,000, it is feared, died as a result of the earthquake on Dec. 27, 29,000 were injured and nearly 50,000 homes and buildings totally destroyed or rendered uninhabitable.

2,000,000 CATTLE

In Tokat District alone, 2,000,000 cattle perished and at least as many were lost in the other districts.

Improvement in the weather enabled the roads to be cleared sufficiently to allow access to the villages which were marooned since the earthquake.

AUSTRALIAN PRESTIGE

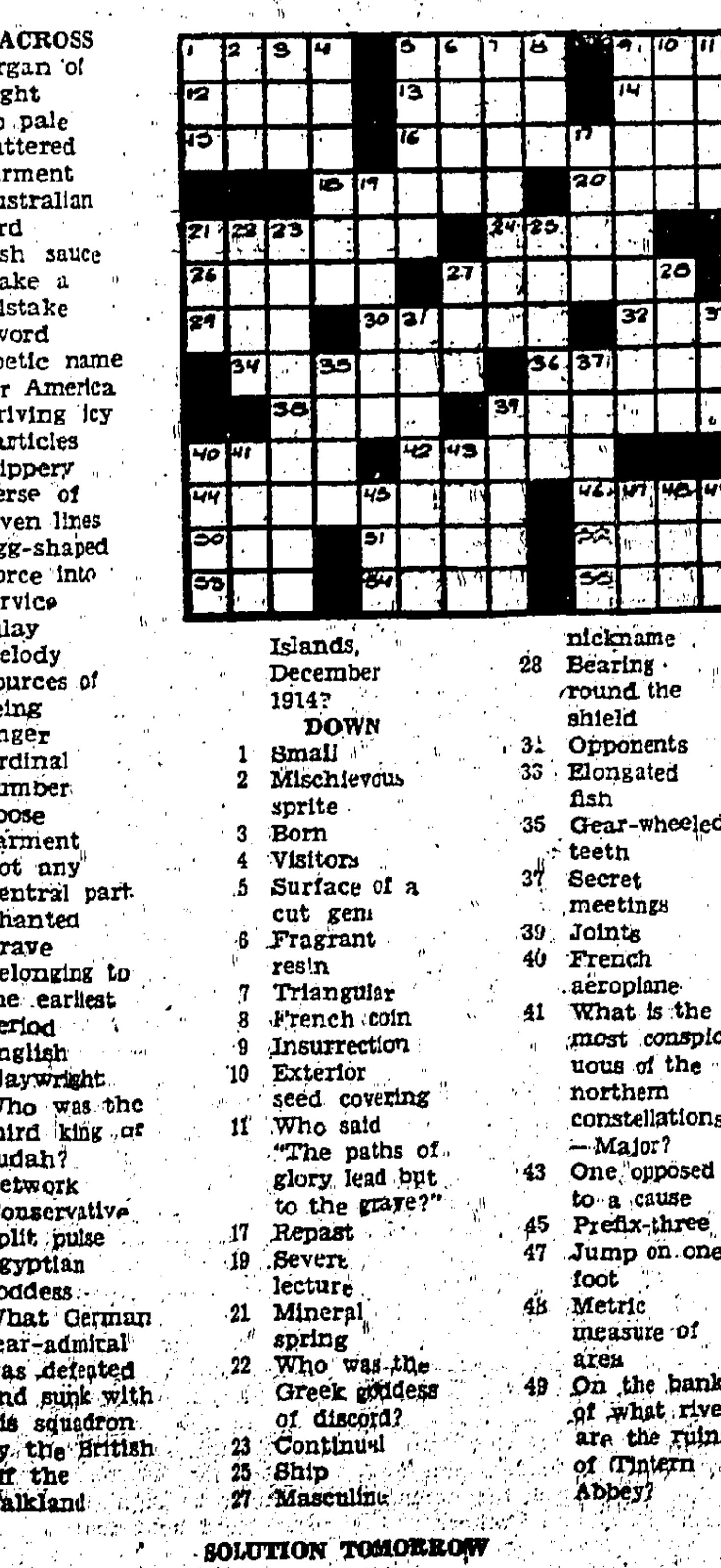
Mr. Bruce, addressing the Australian airmen in particular, said: "We are all in this war. We are going to co-operate and see it through and we are going to win. The honour and prestige and the good name of Australia reside in your hands. We are looking to you with confidence to uphold it as the men of the A.E.F. did in the last war."

FLYING-BOAT SQUADRON

The Australian Squadron is operating flying-boats which, it will be recalled, were ordered for the Royal Australian Air Force early last year and which, with the consent of the Australian Government, remained for duty with the R.A.F. together with its personnel.

The remainder of the trained personnel to bring the squadron up to full strength arrived from Australia on Boxing Day.

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ON THE WEST

PECULIAR CASE: WIDOW HIDES EARRINGS: FALSE ACCUSATION OF THEFT

What was described by the police as a peculiar case, and one which could have led to unpleasant results, came before Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Court yesterday.

The defendant was a 46-year-old widow, Ho, Tai. Some time ago she loaned \$18.50 to a man, named Li Wing, and had been unable to make any repayment.

FATAL FALL FROM FIFTH FLOOR

INQUEST HELD ON HOSPITAL PATIENT

The death of a patient, Mei Ping-kai, 20, who died as a result of a fall from the fifth floor of the Queen Mary Hospital on Nov. 23, formed the subject of an inquest held at the Central Court yesterday.

Mr. H. G. Sheldon sat as Coroner, assisted by a jury comprising Messrs. A. W. Holland (foreman), Kwok Yuen-sang and R. E. M. Devaux.

HIGH FEVER

Mei was taken to the Queen Mary Hospital on Nov. 23. Dr. T. K. Ling testified that Mei was suffering from high fever and he detected that she was suffering from pneumonia and had him transferred to a ward on fifth floor. Later, on the same morning, he was informed that the patient had jumped out of the window and was removed to the observation ward where he died on the following day.

Dr. Ling told the Court that pneumonia and high fever often resulted in mental changes.

The deceased died of fractures of the skull, spine and pelvis and rupture of the spleen.

A verdict of suicide while deceased's state of mind was disturbed was recorded.

SNATCHED MONEY

Sentence of four months' hard labour was imposed on Lo Kau, 28, unemployed, when he pleaded guilty before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Court yesterday to larceny of \$96 from Li Tin-yuk in Bonham Strand East on Saturday. The money was recovered.

Alleged Armed Robbery In Wellington Street: Money & Jewellery Involved

2 MILLION KILOS OF CARGO ABOARD SOVIET STEAMER

The Soviet steamer Selenga, which was brought into port on Saturday by the Royal Navy to undergo search by the Contraband Control, carried a cargo of about two million kilos of wolfram, coffee and antimony. It was learned yesterday.

The ship was stopped off Formosa on suspicion that the cargo of wolfram, valued at £250,000, was destined for Germany via the Trans-Siberian Railway. The wolfram was loaded in Manila.

The Selenga endeavoured to get into Formosan Territorial waters when she saw the British warship coming up, but could not raise speed much above eight knots and responded promptly on reading the signal "Heave To."

The master of the vessel, Captain Yaskovich, has cabled a protest to Moscow and another to the Soviet Ambassador in London against the detention of the vessel in Hongkong.

LOCAL ESTATES

Local estate valued at \$67,400 was left by the late Mr. Fung Kingsoum (or Sam), alias Fung Wing-chau, merchant, who died on January 18 last. Probate has been granted to the widow, Fung Leung-shi and Ho Tak-fue, merchant.

Letters of administration have been granted to Mr. D. H. Blake, solicitor, in respect of the estate in Hongkong of \$15,700 of the late Mr. Chu Tong, alias Jiu Shi-tong, alias Chu Sze-chung, alias Chew See-cheong, alias Jeu Tong, formerly of Lake Cormorant, De Soto County, Mississippi, who died at the Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis, Tennessee, on April 7, 1938.

Mr. Chen Li-fu, Chinese Minister of Education, left Kwaiyung for Pingtung on Sunday to continue his inspection tour.

PRETTY JANUARY BRIDE AT THE JEWISH SYNAGOGUE

Mr. Israel F. Frey Married To Miss T. Banaschek

A PRETTY JANUARY BRIDE WAS MISS TRUDE BANASCHEK, WHO WAS MARRIED YESTERDAY TO MR. ISRAEL FRITZ FREY.

The civil ceremony took place in the morning at the Registry, Supreme Court, and a religious ceremony was performed in the afternoon at the Jewish Synagogue, followed by a reception, attended by a large gathering, at the adjoining Jewish Recreation Club.

The bride, who is the eldest daughter of Mr. Karl Banaschek, of Vienna, is a recent arrival to the Colony and is on the staff of Rivelli's, confectioners. The bridegroom is on the staff of Reilly's.

Charmingly attired in a navy blue jacket set off with white fur and accessories to match the bride was given away by Mr. Charles Elkan, while Mrs. Buckberrough acted as matron of honour.

The toast to the happy couple was proposed by Mr. L. A. Tobias. Amongst those who were present at the reception were Mr. and Mrs. H. Joseph, Mrs. R. Well, Mr. E. M. Raymond, Mr. A. Raymond, Mrs. Tobias and Mr. A. S. Gubbay.

NAVAL WEDDING

At the Union Church yesterday afternoon, Miss Joan Langley, daughter of Mrs. Rosa Langley was married to Lieut. John Hudson Gordon, of H. M. S. Pandora.

The ceremony was a quiet one, and the Rev. K. Mackenzie Dow officiated. Mr. Alfred Morris gave the bride away, while the duties of best man were discharged by Lieut. C. R. Rely.

A reception was later held at the Hongkong Club. The honeymoon is being spent at Repulse Bay.

OTHER WEDDINGS

About 40 internees who have sustained injuries of various nature as a result of Saturday clash between the police, are at present receiving treatment in the hospitals.

According to an official police report, 16 are now in the Kowloon Hospital and 25 in the Camp hospital. Thirty-seven are in police custody.

Lance-Sergeant Boers and an Indian constable are also receiving treatment in the Kowloon Hospital.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following forthcoming marriages are announced:

Mr. Felix Frederick Arthur Dunnett, clerk, War Department, residing at No. 3 Minden Avenue, and Miss Jenie Paula White, of No. 27 Cameron Road;

Mr. Edgar William Whish, navigating officer, care of Messrs Butterfield and Swire, and Miss Sabina Staroynska of No. 2 Carnarvon Road;

Mr. Leonardo Victor da Rosa of No. 10 Shing Wong Street, first floor, and Miss Amelia Crisalida Ausejo, of No. 22 Portland Street, first floor;

Mr. Frederico Desiderio Franco, clerk of No. 21 Kwong Ming Street, second floor, and Miss Helen Wong, of No. 141 Wongneichong Road;

Mr. Hanson Wong, accountant of the Sincere Perfumery Manufacturing Ltd., and Miss Annie Chan, of 176 Queen's Road East ground floor;

Mr. Kaan Chee-wan, student, of No. 43 Wongneichong Road, and Miss Yeung Chiu-kuen, student of No. 32 Leighton Hill Road, ground floor;

Mr. Young Sai-Kit, of the Kowloon Confectionary, residing at No. 18 Lyndhurst Terrace, first floor, and Miss Maria Portaria, telephone operator, of the same address.

JUDGMENT FOR DEFENDANT

In the absence of the plaintiffs, the Hip Lee contractors, of Saigon Street, judgment was given in the Summary Court yesterday by Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell for the defendant, Li Yuk-sing, trading as Li Sang Hop, in the action in which the former claimed the sum of \$388.23 for balance due on excavating work done in Tsun Wan in September last year.

Mr. W. M. Brown was for the defendant.

ASSAULT ALLEGED

Appearing before Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Court yesterday on a charge of assault on a police officer, Au Kwong, 38, food stall folk, was remanded for 24 hours.

Au was climbing up the stand of the Hongkong Football Club on Saturday seeking free view of a soccer match when an Indian constable chased him away. He pleaded guilty and was remanded for 48 hours to find a guarantor to sign bond for his future good behaviour.

GENERAL

19 Cases For Trial

FIRST CRIMINAL SESSIONS IN NEW YEAR

TWO MURDER CASES are amongst the 19 cases to be tried at the Criminal Sessions, which will commence at the Supreme Court on Thursday at 10 a.m.

The persons facing trial and the offences for which they have been indicted are:-

WONG NGAI, possession of dangerous drugs;

CHAN TUNG and five others, robbery and accessory before the fact of robbery;

HUI FUK-SING, murder;

PANG TAK, breach of deportation order;

YIP KAU and another, robbery by two or more;

HO KIU, alias Ho Kau, armed robbery;

CHU KWAI, breach of deportation order;

MAN PONG, alias Man Kwong, robbery with violence;

WONG KAN, breach of deportation order;

LI SANG, WU WING, HO ON, FUN FAT, WONG LEE, CHAN TAI AND WONG WAH, conspiracy, forgery of documents, possession of forged dies and forged documents, uttering forged documents, demanding money on forged documents and embezzlement;

TUNG YING, robbery with violence;

CHAN SANG, breach of deportation order;

WONG SANG AND LI KAM-LAM, demanding money on forged documents and conspiracy to defraud;

LI KING-FAI, larceny of postal letters;

CHEUNG CHOI AND LAM HING, robbery by two or more;

MAN CHAU, armed robbery;

CHEUNG YAU AND KUN TSE, robbery;

CHAN HING, CHAN SUNG AND CHEUNG TAI-KWAI, attempted robbery by two or more, conspiracy to rob and dissuasion from giving evidence;

LAU TIN-YUNG AND LAU TAU, murder.

COLONY HEALTH:

SIX CASES OF SMALL-POX

Six cases of smallpox, all from Kowloon, were notified to the Health Department on Jan. 13 and 14.

On Jan. 13, there were, in addition, twelve cases of tuberculosis, two cases of dysentery and one case each of scarlet fever and measles.

On Jan. 14, twelve cases of tuberculosis, three cases of chicken-pox and one case of diphtheria and dysentery were also notified.

TOOK LAW INTO HIS OWN HANDS

Tricycle Tyres Slashed

Hong Yeung is an unlicensed hawker and on Sunday he laid out his bed sheet on a vacant piece of ground to air. A stall folk, who was emptying a bucket, accidentally splashed some dirty water onto the sheet.

Without a word, Hong picked up his sheet and walked away. Later in the afternoon he returned with a knife and it was alleged, slashed the tires of a tricycle which belonged to the stall, causing damage to the extent of \$10.

Hong Yeung was arrested and charged before Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Court yesterday with causing malicious damage.

He pleaded guilty and was remanded for 48 hours to find a guarantor to sign bond for his future good behaviour.

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AERIAL THEFTS IN WANCHAI DISTRICT

Charge Against Unemployed

Inquiries by the police led to the arrest of an 18-year-old unemployed, Wong Hok-man, who was charged before Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Court yesterday with theft of aerials.

A detective stopped Wong in a Wanchai street and questioned him regarding aerials which he had in his possession and he admitted that he had stolen them from houses in Wanchai district.

This has become quite a common larceny in the Wanchai district during the last two months. There have been many complaints made to the police concerning the disappearance of aerials," said Inspector A. V. Baker, who prosecuted.

Wong was remanded for 48 hours to find guarantor to sign a personal bond.

WARRANT ISSUED FOR EUROPEAN

Paul Hannay Symons, 30, Assistant Government Analyst, residing at No. 54, The Peak, failed to appear before Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Court yesterday to answer a charge of behaving in a drunk and disorderly conduct while at the Gough Hill Police Station on Sunday. His bail of \$25 was estreated and a warrant was issued for his arrest.

Stewart Charles Coultrou, of the ss. Fau Sang, also failed to appear in answer to a similar charge and his bail of \$25 was estreated.

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"CHRISTIAN FRONT"

THE ARRESTS of conspirators against the Federal Government announced from Washington yesterday bring into vivid relief the extent to which the pernicious example of Fascist private armies has found followers in countries still under the parliamentary type of Government. That such armies should exist, for instance, in the United States, may seem, on the face of it, fantastic. Yet exist they do.

ON THE ORDINARY SORE-SPOT of racketeering, private strong-arm gangs kept for the purpose of suppressing strikes, political "ideals" have been grafted, giving rise to one "little Hitler" after another. Much of the record is still shrouded in mystery and the precise background has not been revealed, yet the facts, even as they have come before the public, are spectacular enough. The post-war Ku Klux Klan, the late Huey Long and the very much alive Gerald L. K. Smith of Mississippi, the murderous Michigan "Black Legion," the March on Washington conspiracy backed by powerful financial groups and exposed by Major-General Smedley Butler, who was offered the leadership—all these were preludes to the present day German-American Bund and its native affiliates and imitators such as the Silver Shirts and the "Christian Frontist" storm-troops of the notorious "Radio Priest," Father Coughlin.

The A.F.S. was a very valuable force, said Mr. Perdue, who paid tribute to the co-operation existing between the Auxiliary force and the regular Fire Brigade, who were on terms of the highest cordiality.

Replies, Mr. Blake recalled the birth of the A.F.S. in July last and mentioned the endeavours of Mr. Chan Mak-heung to secure members. Mr. Chan's recruiting efforts were the best he had ever seen, said Mr. Blake.

TRIBUTE TO EFFICIENCY OF AUXILIARY FIRE SERVICE IS PAID AT THE FIRST ANNUAL DINNER**Usefulness To Hongkong Expressed By A.R.P. Chief**

TRIBUTE TO THE EFFICIENCY OF THE AUXILIARY FIRE SERVICE and appreciation of its usefulness to the Colony were expressed by the Director of Air Raid Precautions, the Deputy Commissioner of Police and the Superintendent of the Fire Brigade at the first annual dinner of the organisation, held in the St. Francis Hotel last night.

Members of the A.F.S. attended in full force and the guests included many officers of the regular Fire Brigade. Mr. D. H. Blake, Superintendent of the A.F.S., occupied the chair, and those present included Wing Commander A. H. S. Steele-Perkins (Director of A.R.P.), Mr. G. Perdue (Deputy Commissioner of Police), Mr. J. C. Fitz-Henry (Superintendent of the Fire Brigade), Mr. G. C. Moss, Mr. W. M. Smith, Mr. C. W. Brand, Mr. C. W. Browne, Mr. J. S. Howell, Mr. R. Grimshaw, Mr. Chan Mak-heung and Mr. Harold Chan.

The toast to the health of the A.F.S. was proposed by Mr. Perdue, who said that the Commissioner of Police, the Hon. Mr. T. H. King, had asked him to convey his apologies for not being able to be present, as his family had arrived yesterday after a very perilous journey from Europe. Mr. King had asked him to thank the A.F.S. for their work and to express to them his very best wishes for their future.

SPLENDID RESPONSE

Mr. Perdue said he had the greatest pleasure of being present because, in the early stages of the A.F.S., he had the honour of serving as Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade. He was greatly encouraged by the splendid response to the appeal launched by Mr. Fitz-Henry: it was striking demonstration that all communities in Hongkong realised their duty to the Colony and were prepared to carry it out.

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A REAL FORCE

Mr. Fitz-Henry's help and the co-operation and kindness of the regular officers of men of the Fire Brigade would always be remembered. Soviet violence against organized labour, Negroes, Catholics and Jews. All paralleled, in many other ways the early features of Nazism. If the Department of Justice has now taken the matter in hand, it is not a whit too soon.

ITAGAKI AND THE GUARDS

THE JAPANESE TROOPS that were soundly beaten at Kulunkwan, in Kwangsi, belonged to the Fifth Division long commanded by General Itagaki, now Chief of Staff under General Nishio, of the entire invading army in China.

This Division has a unique record for disaster. At the outset of the war it was badly mauled by the Eighth Route Army at Pinghsinkuan, in Shansi. Later, it suffered at Linyi and Taerchuan. Transferred to the Mongol front, it bore its share of responsibility for the miserable showing of the Japanese army against the Soviet-Mongol forces. Kulunkwan is its newest battle "honour."

MORE INTERESTING still is the story of North Kwangtung, where the Chinese plincer movement routed the Imperial Guards, only recently sent to the China front.

IF THIS is what happens to the cream of the Japanese forces fighting against an adversary as poorly equipped as the Chinese armies on the Southern front, how poor we are entitled to ask, is the watery remainder.

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60,000 CASES DEALT WITH**Work Of Aliens Tribunals**

LONDON, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—The work of the Aliens Tribunals, which were set up at the beginning of the war, has now been practically completed, having dealt with over 60,000 cases of which 436 were Germans and 50 Austrians.

One hundred and twenty refugees and 384 non-refugees were interned and many others subjected to special restrictions applicable to enemy aliens.

ROYAL PREROGATIVE

In addition, 300 German-Austrians were interned in the early days of the war under Royal prerogative.

As a result of the Tribunals' investigations the police are now in possession of complete dossier on all enemy aliens, a position far different from that in 1914.

Czechs, numbering about 10,000, in Britain, are exempted from registering as enemy aliens, a separate Tribunal being set up to review their position.

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EDITORIAL

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16 1940.

German Bluff Again Or?**BELGIUM, HOLLAND AND NAZI MENACE****Uneasiness Prevails****SPIES ARRESTED: ARMY LEAVE IS CANCELLED**

LONDON, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—Somewhere in France, Air Marshal Barratt took over his duties as Air Force Commanding-in-Chief, the British Air Force in France.

His first official act was to sign an Order of the Day announcing that the British Air Forces are united in one command. He says: "The one ideal that inspires us is to do our utmost to win the war. We will work wing-tip to wing-tip with the Allied Air Forces to bring the war to a speedy and decisive conclusion."

HOUSE PIERCED BY BOMB

HELSINKI, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—There was another air raid alarm yesterday morning. Several Soviet planes were seen, but no bombs were dropped on the capital itself.

The adjoining districts, however, were bombed and it is reported that the residence of the U.S. Minister, some twelve miles outside the capital, was wrecked when a large incendiary bomb went through the roof and the living room and buried itself in the foundations without exploding.

The American Minister left the house some days ago.

RED CROSS BOMBED

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 15 (Havas)—Soviet planes bombed the Danish Red Cross unit on the Finnish front according to a report from Prof. Kivis, head of the Danish Sanitary Unit in Finland. There were no casualties.

SWEDISH VOLUNTEERS

HELSINKI, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—General Lindberg, Officer Commanding the Swedish Volunteers in Finland, issued his first proclamation. He stresses the great task ahead of them and says they are fighting not only for Finland but all the northern countries.

HEAVY AIR RAIDS

HELSINKI, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—The air raids over Southern Finland yesterday were the heaviest so far experienced. There were many civilian casualties and considerable damage done.

At many places the raiders machine-gunned civilians.

In the county of Helsinki alone over a dozen towns were attacked and large fires occurred and telegraph and telephone communications broken.

A hundred Soviet machines are reported to have participated in the raids. Three planes were brought down.

STRONG PROTEST TO NORWAY AND SWEDEN BY U.S.S.R.**NO INTERFERENCE WITH ACTIVITY ON BEHALF OF HUMANITY**

MOSCOW, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—The U.S.S.R. has protested to Norway and Sweden over what is described as their "anti-Soviet policy," according to the Tass Agency, which states that the newspapers closely connected with the Governments of both countries and certain personages, with the connivance and support of the Swedish and Norwegian authorities, have begun a widespread campaign against U.S.S.R. and also embarked on actions incompatible with the countries' proclaimed policy of neutrality.

PROTEST MADE

The Agency adds that in view of this, the Soviet Ministers in Sweden and Norway were authorised to make appropriate representations.

The Soviet Minister to Sweden, on Jan. 15, delivered a declaration to the Swedish Foreign Minister, stating that during December

newspapers hostile to the U.S.S.R., headed by a newspaper which is closely connected with the Government, carried on a campaign against the Soviet, which is only explicable if Sweden were in a state of war with the U.S.S.R. or preparing for war against the U.S.S.R.

be considered satisfactory.

The radio adds that the attitude of Norway, and especially Sweden, as revealed by their answer, only proves their lack of resistance against the powers which exert pressure to involve the Scandinavian countries in the present conflict.

Yugoslavia Prepared For Anything

BELGRADE, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—Belgrade, Prince Paul, Regent of Yugoslavia, paid an official visit to the Croat capital, Zagreb, yesterday, accompanied by the Prime Minister and was engaged in friendly discussions with Dr. Matich, the Croat leader.

COMPLETE UNITY

In a speech from the balcony, Prince Paul, declared that the Yugoslav peoples, Serbs, Slovenes and Croats were now united and would work together. This unity would mean they were nationally prepared for anything that might happen in the future.

LEAVE FOR B.E.F. SUSPENDED

LONDON, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—The War Office announced that leave service from the B.E.F. is temporarily suspended. It is learned that the men at present on leave will not be recalled, but no further leave will be granted for the time being.

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ARMED & READY

BRUSSELS, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—A statement issued on the new military measures by the semi-official Belgian Agency, says: "The measures are taken to show that the Government is not lacking vigilance."

"Nothing has been concealed from the public."

"Alarming reports have been spread both here and abroad, but these cannot move our compatriots. Belgium remains calm, but is armed and ready."

About 12,000 Japanese troops are reported to have landed at Whampoa to be used for another offensive in north Kwangtung. While the disposal of these troops is not confirmed, Japanese army spokesman in Canton stated some time ago that the first offensive in north Kwangtung had come to a "successful close" and that a second offensive was under preparation (International).

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BELGIAN ANXIETY: ALMOST TOTAL MOBILIZATION

PARIS, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—Some anxiety is felt in the Lige region, where German troops are stated to be in readiness, and German planes fly over the region occasionally at low altitude.

GERMAN BLUFF OR?

BRUSSELS, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—The General impression in well-informed quarter is that nothing serious has occurred so far and the situation is considered slightly easier.

Political circles regard the whole manoeuvre as a German bluff in order to ascertain how far Belgium is prepared to resist possible aggression.

It is understood that certain troop concentrations are taking place in order to counteract possible German concentrations, especially in the Laix-Chapelle region.

MOBILIZATION

BRUSSELS, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—"Phase D." of Belgium's mobilisation plan has now come into operation. This is almost total mobilisation, as only one more phase remains to be called.

A certain number of Belgian reservists of the 1920/21 class and some technicians have been called up, and the Belgian Radio has warned all soldiers on leave that they must rejoin their units immediately.

FOREIGNERS ROUNDED UP

Beyond the announcement that the suspension of Army leave was ordered in view of the unfavourable international situation no official announcement has been made by the Netherlands Government to explain the sudden cancellation of all army leave.

On Saturday night, however, there was a large scale round-up of foreigners in Amsterdam and a number were taken to the police stations to have their identities confirmed.

PENULTIMATE STAGE

The bringing into force of "Phase D." of the reinforcement of the Army means that the penultimate phase of the mobilisation series has been reached, the last phase being general mobilisation.

One result of bringing into force of Phase D. is the constitution of General Headquarters. From now onwards, General Headquarters gives orders and takes over the functions hitherto performed by the Ministry of National Defence.

Despite a certain atmosphere of tension, life in Brussels is proceeding more or less normally and the streets were full of the usual Sunday crowds, while the cinemas and cafés were well patronised.

FROST EFFECT

PARIS, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—Though frost is prevailing in Europe, it is not thought here that it will have any great effect on Holland's system of water defences.

The ice may be strong enough to allow the passage of a certain number of men, but not material, such as lorries, guns and tanks.

HUGE CONCENTRATIONS

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 15 (Havas)—The concentration of German engineers units is reported along the whole length of the Dutch border, especially on the Dogholt-Borken-Wesel triangle on the north bank of the Rhine. Special units, equipped with small motor-launches having on board motorcycles and armed with machine-guns, have arrived in the same sector.

An abnormal transportation of troops was witnessed throughout Germany, while numerous planes have concentrated on the Belgo-Dutch frontier.

ROUTINE ACTION

THE HAGUE, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—It is stated that the round-up of foreigners yesterday was in no way out of the ordinary, as the police had for some years been making such round-ups on an average of thrice weekly.

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A CRISIS OF THE FIRST MAGNITUDE COMING IN THE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND JAPAN, SAYS NOTED AMERICAN COMMENTATOR

Significant Talk On Development Of U.S. Opinion On The War In Europe & The East

LONDON, JAN. 15 (REUTER)—"IT IS CLEAR THAT A CRISIS OF FIRST MAGNITUDE IS COMING IN THE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND JAPAN," said Mr. Raymond Gram Swing, the noted American commentator, in the course of a highly significant talk on the development of American public opinion in relation to the War in Europe and Japan's aims in the Far East.

Mr. Gram Swing's address, which was recorded direct from New York, was broadcast yesterday.

After President Roosevelt's recent speech, said Mr. Gram Swing, the development to watch for was the public reaction to what he said, for it contained one or two more important ideas and, if these roused any great opposition, one would know what to expect.

FIRST CONCEPTION

President Roosevelt's first conception was that the American people were bound to be affected by the outcome of the war in Europe and must also have a part in peace.

There are two schools thought in America, Mr. Gram Swing went on. The first believes that the United States cannot live a life of peace except as member of the world at large, while the second believes that the United States is sufficiently self-sufficient and that its place in the western hemisphere is so secure that it would be a grave mistake ever again to be involved in European or Asiatic conflicts.

When the President came out with the doctrine of one school, it was to be expected that the other would challenge him and make it a major issue. Consequent public reaction would provide a good estimate of American opinion. But the speech was not really challenged and no major disagreement voiced.

WIDEST APPROVAL

The message was taken as a whole and won the widest approval. Although there was negative reaction, it did round out the importance of the message by the President itself. Such a message should be compared with the earlier ones.

At the outbreak of war the President spoke to the country by radio from White House, in which said that even a neutral has the right to take account of the facts and even a neutral cannot be asked to close his mind or his conscience.

MESSAGE TO CONGRESS

In his message to Congress last week, the President stressed that there was a vast difference between keeping out of war and pretending that this war is "none of our business." One could see the difference between these two statements and one could sense quite a tangible difference.

American opinion has developed less rapidly than it would have if the war had been more intense to date, but here is the ripening of thought and judgment.

There is, Mr. Gram Swing went on, nothing harder than to try and draw up a statement of public opinion which even approximately represents the opinion of a nation of 130,000,000 people. Most of them do not think—that is they do not think ahead, they respond.

ROUND-TABLE VOTING

But a round-table conference was recently called by the Magazine "Fortune." Its members were chosen from all walks of life—the businessman, the labour leader, the retired naval expert, the contractor, and so on. These men had time to thresh things out and come to a sort of agreement.

Fourteen of sixteen members of the round-table accepted a statement on the following lines:

The round-table believes that if war in Europe results in a Ger-

JAPAN'S NEW PREMIER WAS CAUSE OF FAILURE OF THE MILITARY PACT WITH REICH

Special to the H.K. Daily Press

TOKYO, Jan. 15 (Havas)—Early comments in international circles here stress that Admiral M. Yonai was chiefly responsible, on the Japanese side, for the failure of the proposed military alliance with the Reich, and he is known for harbouring moderate views towards Great Britain and the Reich.

Consequently it is thought that it is likely that the new Cabinet will halt the drift towards the Soviet, which marks the last stage of the Abe Government, and try to normalise relations with London and Washington.

TACIT ENCOURAGEMENT
Such a policy has the tacit encouragement of the majority of the Japanese nation.

Meanwhile, the following reasons were given to explain why Gen. Hata was not entrusted to form the new cabinet.

GENERAL HATA

Although the ban against Gen. Hata, who is a general on active service, was lifted by a conference of Army leaders early this month, strong objections were voiced against his policies by certain Army circles, who feared a situation arising with decisions taken against the Army's wishes by a Premier who is a general on the active list.

On the other hand, it is rumoured that influential and moderate elements backed Gen. Hata, who has clearly realized the situation and is reported to have told his friends: "If people make a case of me, it is because I have a sword at my side."

"The Army is supposed to be the propelling force behind the Government and not the Government itself. I am willing to push ahead, but I cannot push and be pushed at the same time."

ARMY CO-OPERATION

TOKYO, Jan. 15 (Havas)—After an audience with the Emperor, General Hata informed the Emperor that he had "explicitly voiced his desire that the Army should co-operate with Admiral Yonai, the Premier designate."

CHINESE COMMENT

That the new Japanese Cabinet under Admiral M. Yonai will likely meet with the same fate as the Abe Cabinet is the consensus of opinion.

CHAMBERLAIN'S PEACE EFFORTS RECOGNIZED

Statue To Be Erected In Portugal

LONDON, Jan. 15 (BWS)—According to a Lisbon press message, the results of subscription in September for the erection in Lisbon of a statue of Mr. Neville Chamberlain as a tribute to his efforts for peace, will, according to the wish of Mr. Chamberlain, be applied to public charity under the direction of a Diario de Notícias, with the consent of the Portuguese Government. It has been resolved to donate a portion of the money to the erection of a maternity hospital in Lisbon.

An enjoyable dance was held at the Chero Club last night and was well attended.

UNWILLING TO ACCEPT

Mr. Chuji Machida, President of the Minseito Party and former banker and who was Minister of Commerce and Industries in July, 1934, until March, 1936, is being favoured but is reported to be unwilling to accept the post.

Mr. Maesonori Katsu, member of the Selyukai Party and former Vice-Minister of Commerce and Industries, is the probable Minister for Finance.

Adm. Yonai is said to have expressed the desire to have four Cabinet Ministers nominated by the political parties and one from the House of Peers.

It is clear that a crisis of the first magnitude is coming in the to come.

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Threat To Belgium And Holland May Be Nothing At All—London View

LONDON, JAN. 15 (REUTER)—IF HITLER IS ACTUALLY PREPARING A BLITZKRIEG IT WILL ALMOST CERTAINLY COME WITHOUT WARNING and, therefore, current alarms about Belgium and Holland may turn out, as was the case more than on the previous occasion, to be false.

This is the unofficial view but well-informed quarters in London recall a somewhat similar situation arose in November, in regard to the low countries, which were believed to be in peril. Fortunately these fears proved groundless although there was ample substantiation for them at the time.

It is stated that the fears expressed in the press today might prove unfounded but it is pointed out that when Hitler has struck in the past it has always been with extreme secrecy and swiftness, therefore, the publicity being given to the low countries may be an indication that nothing, in fact, will take place.

At the same time the precautions taken by the Dutch and Belgian Governments and the stopping of leave by the British High Command are felt to be undoubtedly prudent.

ADMIRABLE CALM
It is learned that the Dutch and Belgian people are taking the situation with admirable calm and this is felt to be an example for other countries.

In view of the improved weather in central and eastern Europe and the apparent thaw in those regions it is believed in London that conditions may be more favourable for adventures here than in the low countries.

It is thought that a move might be made here while attention is diverted to Belgium and Holland.

HUGE EXPENSE
Dutch merchant ships are being sunk each week by German mines and submarines. Belgium and Holland are put to the huge expense of mobilisation and their populations live in constant terror of attack.

The New York Herald-Tribune writes: "It is to the dead of the nations which Nazi imperialism has left behind it, there is added the slaughter of Belgium and Holland. It would be regarded as a monstrous crime by every nation of the world."

ALLIED PROPAGANDA
Special to the H.K. Daily Press

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 15 (Havas)—The Berlin correspondent of the Berlingske Tidende stated that the German authorities assert that the Belgo-Dutch military measures were taken under the influence of "Allied propaganda" and added that the measures were purely in-

ternal and of no concern to Germany.

The Politiken Berlin correspondent said that the Belgo-Dutch military measures were motivated by previous assurances which Holland gave to Britain following the kidnapping of two British subjects at Venlo on the Dutch-German border.

The paper concluded: "Strategically, Germany has no wish to start an offensive against Belgium and Holland although it is natural that sooner or later Germany will seek the weakest point on which to start an offensive."

Over 60 H.K. Residents Return On Italian Liner

New Police Cadet From Metropolitan College

Arrivals in Hongkong by an Italian liner from Singapore yesterday included over 60 local residents who changed ship at the southern port after a journey, via Suez, by a British liner that was described by one of them as "unusually eventful."

Among those who returned were many whose return from leave was delayed somewhat by the outbreak of the war. Among the arrivals were Mrs. Alabaster, M.B.E., wife of the Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., O.B.E., Attorney General, and her daughter, Mrs. Holmes, and also Mr. E. H. Williams, Crown Counsel, with Mrs. Williams and their daughter.

Mrs. King, M.B.E., wife of the Hon. Mr. T. H. King, the Commissioner of Police, returned with her two daughters by the same ship and among others on board were Mr. L. H. C. Calthrop, Superintendent of Police, and Mr. G. A. R. Wright-Nooth, whose address is given also as Police Headquarters, Hongkong, and who is a Police Cadet fresh from the Metropolitan Police College, Hendon.

Others on board were Mr. B. C. K. Hawkins, Clerk of Councils, Colonial Secretariat, with Mrs. Hawkins; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Gehagan, of the Hongkong Electric Co., and their children, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. H. Phillips, of the Talkoo Docks, and Mr. David Kosack, of the Harbour Office, who has taken a prominent part in local amateur theatricals and soccer.

SCHOOL MASTERS RETURN

Lieut-Commander and Mrs. J. Jolly, and Mrs. G. P. Ferguson, Mr. J. J. Ferguson, Mr. G. F. Rees and Mr. R. H. Griffiths, the latter all of the Education Department, were among others who disembarked.

Other arrivals by the same vessel were Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Mills, Mrs. M. Campbell, and children, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Campbell and son, Mrs. Raworth and Miss Anne Raworth, Mrs. Lawder, Mr. J. Hunter, Mr. R. S. MacMillan, Mr. G. S. Coxhead, Miss A. M. Davies, Mrs. Hoeykin:

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Finch, Mr. T. O. Morgan, Mr. G. E. Kirkbright, Mr. K. J. N. Duthele, Mr. W. S. Smith, Mr. J. H. Bottomley, Mrs. Locke and Miss J. E. Locke, from Singapore.

LOSSES OF SHIPS

ALLIED, NEUTRAL, AND GERMAN

"Official statistics" of merchant ship losses from the last war until December 20 published by the official German News Agency placed Allied and neutral losses at 279 ships of a total tonnage of 1,029,835, compared with 13 German ships of 128,889 tons. According to "confirmed reports" it is stated the following losses can be registered:

No.	Tonnage
British	134 526,169
French	12 64,759
Neutral	78 258,209
Total	224 849,137

The Press Association learned in authoritative quarters in London that up to December 27 the following Allied, neutral, and German losses have been registered:

No.	Tonnage
British	111 423,974
French	12 56,106
Polish	1 14,294
Neutral	81 251,914
Total	205 744,283

Twenty-three German ships, of a gross tonnage of 139,641, have been sunk and twenty, of a gross tonnage of 89,163, have been captured. —Manchester Guardian (Dec. 30).

OVERSEAS CHINESE ORGANIZE RELIEF GROUP

CHUNGKING, Jan. 15 (Central)—Under the leadership of Mr. Tan Kah-Kee, well-known Chinese millionaire and philanthropist in Singapore, an Overseas Chinese group will return home from the South Seas sometime in March next to comfort and relieve Chinese fighters at the front and war victims in the rear.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, in reply to Mr. Tan's telegraphic report, has wired back his approval and notified all Chinese diplomatic and commercial representatives abroad to "extend all possible help."

In addition to comforting Chinese soldiers and civilians at home, the group will also study the conditions of their fathers laid to help formulate future relief plans.

H.K. POLICE RESERVE

Order by the Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Commissioner of Police CHINESE COMPANY

Training Course—Part I. All recruits who have not yet passed Part I of Training Course will attend Central Police Station on Friday, January 19 at 17.30 hours for instructions under Sub-Inspector (R) Chan Chung Tung Dress—Blue Uniform, Cap with White Cover, Belt with Brace, Whistle & Chain, and Truncheon. Patrol Duty. Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

INDIAN COMPANY

Correction, Constable R268 M. S. Vedi taken on the strength of the Indian Company, as from December, 1939 gazetted in last week's orders, should read Constable R268 GURCHARN SINGH is taken on the strength of the Indian Company, as from 20th December, 1939.

Training Course—Part I. The undermentioned will attend Central Police Station on Wednesday, January 17th, 1940 at 17.15 hours sharp for Squad Drill under Sub-Inspector (R) Mehdil Khan:

Constables R213 M. Ali, R231 A. Karim, R257 Sarwar Khan, R277 M. Afzal, R217 A. Hamid, R218 B. Abbas, R240 A. Mohamed, R249 Abdullah, Khan, R261 M. Ramzan R265 Kesar Ali, R701 N. Khan, R239 M. A. Hamet, R291 A.R. Faroz, R274 H. Khan, R268 Gurcharn Singh, R704 Mohamed Currim, R705 Sultan Khan, R706 M. Yakub, and R708 M. Hobson.

Dress—Blue Uniform, Cap with White Cover, Belt with Brace, Whistle and Chain, and Truncheon.

Patrol Duty. Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

FLYING SQUAD.

Patrol Duties will be carried out as ordered.

EMERGENCY UNIT RESERVE

Death. The Hon. Commissioner of Police, and Deputy Superintendent of Police Reserve, regret to announce the death of Constable R418 L. F. Rosario on the 14th January, 1940.

Training Course—Part I. All recruits of the Emergency Unit Reserve will parade at No. 2 Police Station at 17.15 hours on Wednesday, and Friday, January 17th, and 19th, for Squad Drill.

Training Course—Part III. The undermentioned members of the Emergency Unit Reserve will attend King's Park Revolver Range on Sunday, January 21st, at 10.30 hours to fire the Part III Training Course:

Constables R445 H. W. Pomeroy, R446 M. L. Rocha, R478 H. F. Sullivan, R471 F. Da Silva, R474 F. J. Medina, R483 A.F. Delgado, R473 S.S. L. De Faria, R475 F. De Sousa, R476 A.R.P. Pereira, R472 L. J. Castilho, R467 A.F. Baptista, R470 C.A.R. Remedios, R489 F.X. Delgado, R470 F.C. Botelho, R477 E.G. Ivanchenko, and R480 B. G. Harris.

Meet at Star Ferry Kowloon Pier at 10.10 hours sharp. N. C. O.'s Meeting, A. N.C.O.'s meeting will be held at No. 2 Police Station on Tuesday, January 16th, 1940 at 17.15 hours sharp.

Patrol Duty. Patrol Duties will be carried out as ordered.

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D.S.P. (R) Hongkong, Monday, January 15th, 1940

GENERAL

CHINA'S INTERNATIONAL PAYMENTS BALANCE SOUNDNESS PROVED

FREE INTERIOR HAS FAVOURABLE BALANCE: OCCUPIED AREAS LAG

During the first three quarters of 1939 while the customs in Free China registered a favourable international balance of payments of \$33,645,000, those in the Japanese-administered areas and in the districts of Shanghai and Kowloon recorded a total unfavourable foreign balance of \$405,115,000, according to statistics published by The Financial Review of the Central Bank of China.

The adverse balance of international payments in the customs under Japanese occupation was given by the same report at \$269,173,000, while that in the ports of Shanghai and Kowloon, which suffer more or less from Japanese interference was placed at \$165,942,000. Complete data of China's international balance of payments as represented by customs records, both under Chinese administration and under Japanese occupation, follow:

Table of China's International Balance of Payments During First Three Quarters of 1939 as reported by the Chinese Maritime Customs (in thousands of CNS).

Customs	Inpayments Merchandise	Outpayments Treasure	Excess of Inpayments over Outpayments
Imports	Imports	Imports	(+)
Exports	Exports	Exports	(-)

Under Chinese Administration:

Chungking	371	—	930	974	2,275	—	1,533
Wanhui	—	—	19	—	19	—	19
Ichang	—	—	11	—	11	—	11
Shasi	—	—	3	—	3	—	3
Ningpo	492	—	1,210	62	1,784	—	780
Changsha	—	—	44	—	44	—	44
Wenchow	12,779	—	2,657	942	15,378	+	8,180
Santau	1,368	—	1,823	—	3,195	—	463
Foochow	4,850	—	6,886	2,040	13,578	—	4,276
Swatow	31,666	—	31,539	174	63,379	—	47
Kuangpeh	14,453	—	19,270	—	33,723	—	4,817
Nanning	—	—	31	—	31	—	31
Luichow	12,892	—	8,664	3	21,559	+	4,225
Pakhol	14,517	—	1,422	—	15,933	+	13,095
Longchow	33,733	—	26,215	1,044	60,992	+	6,474
Menzie	31,155	—	17,592	—	48,747	+	13,563
Szemao	368	—	329	—	697	+	39
Tungyueh	3,104	—	3,015	—	8,119	—	89
Total	160,546	—	121,666	5,235	287,447	+	33,645

Shanghai & Kowloon	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shanghai	343,951	2	501,558	—	845,511	—	157,605
Kowloon	3,875	—	2,212	—	5,087	+	1,663
Total	347,826	2	503,770	—	851,598	—	155,942

Not Under Chinese Administration:

Chinwangtiao	27,137	—	40,351	—	67,452	—	13,214
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Tientsin	81,120	—	274,647	—	355,767	—	193,527
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Longkow	328	—	3,764	—	4,092	—	3,436
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Chefoo	8,245	—	20,906	—	29,154	—	12,864
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Weihaiwei	1,569	—	2,407	—	3,976	—	838
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Kiaochow	42,004	—	86,768	—	128,772	—	44,764
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Hankow	21	—	78	—	99	—	57
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Amoy	2,288	—	7,808	—	10,096	—	5,520
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Swatow	873	—	602	—	1,475	+	271
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Canton	5,061	—	3,774	—	8,825	+	1,277
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Finance and Commerce

Chinese Postal Service Carries On, Improves In Stress Of National War

CHUNGKING, Jan. 5 (C.I.C.)—In the face of extremely difficult transportation problems as a result of the Sino-Japanese hostilities, the Chinese General Post Office has been functioning courageously in all parts of China. Not only have new mail routes, both domestic and international, been inaugurated, but postal facilities even in the areas very close to the front have always been maintained as long as possible.

Some 880,000,000 pieces of mail matter were handled and distributed by the various offices of postal system in one year. The outbreak of the "Manchurian Incident" in 1931 resulted in the loss of a part of the administrative area in the four northeastern provinces.

A much heavier blow was dealt to the postal administration when the nationwide war of resistance broke out following hostilities around the Marco Polo Bridge and in the Greater Shanghai Municipality. However, the postal authorities have been carrying on their duties undaunted despite the war. The Directorate-General of Posts now has its office in Kunming instead of Shanghai.

HEROIC ROUTINE

In view of the importance of postal communications to the general public during these abnormal times, orders have been given to all classes of postal employees throughout the country to maintain the postal services at their respective stations to the best of their ability. Not until all the local civil and military institutions have withdrawn from a place on account of its being endangered, may the postal staff there withdraw to a safer locality in the immediate neighbourhood where they are still to transact postal business. Moreover, they must return to their original offices for the resumption of postal services as soon as the local situation improves, as the post office is a public utility service and its duty is to serve the public to the best of its capacity.

When any office is forced to evacuate a particular post, the officer in charge has the responsibility of bringing with him all the postage stamps, mail matter, public funds and documents. In case a branch has been isolated from the controlling office due to disruption in communication, it is temporarily governed by the controlling office nearest to the branch.

WARTIME REGULATIONS

The staff administration of the post office during wartime is governed by the following fundamental principles: (1) maintenance by the staff of the postal services at their respective stations as far as conditions permit; (2) increase of working efficiency of the staff; (3) strict enforcement of staff discipline; (4) practice of economy in the distribution of staff members, and in other matters.

Proper adjustments are made in those places where normal means of communication and transportation are at a standstill, so that mail matter can be transmitted without delay. New water routes, highways, couriers have been added to the vast postal network. In view of the excessive amount of mail matter to be handled, the postal authorities are using postal trucks, hiring boats, carts, pack animals, and human carriers to transmit all letters, parcels, printed matter, and the like. Postmen carry the mail bags on their backs and walk to their destination in some of the places where transportation is extremely difficult. When it becomes too difficult to work during the daytime because of air raids, the workers carry on their duties at night. The postal service does not cease until the place is within the range of gunfire.

IMPROVISING ROUTES

Until last year, the Peiping-Hankow and the Canton-Hankow railways were the trunk lines for postal transmission linking the north and the south; while the Chekiang-Kiangsi and the Hunan-Kwangsi railways connected the east and the west. With the fall of Canton and Hankow, the original postal line over the Canton-Hankow Railway was cut off, thus necessitating the use of Ningpo and Wenchow ports for the forwarding of mail from the eastern provinces. Likewise, mail from Kwangtung and Fukien was sent through Foochow, Swatow, Kwangchow and Pakhoi, and

LITTLE OIL FOR GERMANY FROM RUMANIA

BUCHAREST, Jan. 15 (Havas)—According to economic experts, Rumania's oil deliveries to Germany will not exceed 20,000 tons in January, against a normal monthly average of 130,000 tons.

The present figure constitutes an all time low and is due to the complete disruption of communication facilities by rail as well as by water.

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume Of Business Transacted on Monday, Jan. 15, 1940.

	Government Loans	10.1%
H.K. Docks	200	\$21.25
H.K. Docks	400	21.35
Providents	500	4.75

NO MORE CARS FROM GERMANY

BERLIN, Jan. 15 (Reuters)—The German Radio announces that Germany's export of motor cars has ceased on account of the war.

This is believed to be the first time that the Nazi Radio has admitted Allied seapower of having any effect on German trade.

HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal	MONDAY 15. JAN.	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal
				Bank				
				H.K. Banks				\$1365
				Do. (Col. Reg.)				288
				Do. (Loc. Reg.)				284
				Chartered Banks				281
				H.K. Docks				212
				Mercantile Bks. "A"				211
				Bank of East Asia				211
				N. C. & B. Banks				211
				Insurances				211
				Canton Insurances				210
				Union Insurance				200
				Underwriters				180
				H.K. Fire				180
				Shipping				180
				Douglas				180
				Steamboats				180
				Indo-China (Prod.)				180
				Indo-China (Dol.)				180
				Shells				180
				Waterboats				180
				Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.				180
				H.K. & K. Wharves				180
				Providents				180
				Providents (new)				180
				H.K. & W. Docks				180
				Do. (new)				180
				Shanghai Docks				180
				New Engineering B.				180
				Mining				180
				Kailan				180
				Baisha				180
				Venerable Gold Fids				180
				Hong Kong Mines				180
				Lands, Hotels and Buildings				180
				H.K. Hotels				180
				H.K. Lands				180
				Do. 4% Debentures				180
				Shanghai Lands				180
				H.K. Realtor				180
				Humphrey				180
				Chinese Estates				180
				Cotton Mills				180
				Ewo. (B.)				180
				Shai Cottons (B.)				180
				Zoong Sing (B.)				180
				Wing On Textiles (B.)				180
				Public Utilities				180
				Tramways				180
				Ped. Trams (old)				180
				Ped. Trams (new)				180
				Star Ferries				180
				Y-mati Ferries				180
				Do. (new)				180
				China Lights (O.)				180
				China Lights (New)				180
				China Lights Rts.				180
				H.K. Electric				180
				Macao Electric				180
				Sandakan Lights				180
				Telephones (old)				180
				Telephones (new)				180
				Traction				180
				Traction (prod.)				180
				Industrial				180
				Cold, Macq. (Ord.) B.				180
				Cold, Macq. (Prod.) B.				180
				Canton Loco.				180
				Commod				180
				Hopex				180
				Miscellaneous				180
				Dairy Farm (Old)				180
				Dairy Farm (New)				180
				Ch. B'tainments				180
				Constructions (old)				180
				Constructions (new)				180
				Lane Crawford				180
				Nanyang Tobacco				180
				Watsons				180
				Ch. G. 50c 1926 18ds.				180
				H.K. Govt. 4s. Loans				180
				H.K. Govt. 5% Loan				180
				H.K. Wing On				180
				Phat Wing On				180
				Vibro Piling				180
				Marmans Inv. (Lao.)				180
				Marmans Inv. (H.K.)				180
				Wa. Powells				180
				Wa. Powells Order to Shanghai				180

BANK NOTES IN S'hai

MOVE TO PREVENT COLLECTION BY JAPANESE

CHUNGKING, Jan. 15 (Central)

The four Government banks have announced that, in order to prevent the Japanese from collecting and disposing of large quantities of bank notes for foreign exchange, all bank notes overprinted with the names of places in occupied areas will not be accepted as ready cash by the four banks branches in Shanghai, but may be exchanged for demand drafts, on either Chungking or the place of issue concerned.

SHANGHAI EXCEPTED

With the exception of Shanghai, where special conditions prevail, however, these notes are freely accepted in the interior places.

Occupied area notes of the four banks and Chinese banks under the above ruling do not include:

(1) Central Bank notes issued in Hankow in 1928.

(2) Bank of China notes issued in Hankow and Changsha.

(3) Bank of Communications notes issued in places outside the Great Wall.

AMERICAN PRESIDENT LINE

OFFICE OPENED IN SEATTLE

The American President Lines opened its own office in Seattle, Washington, on December 15.

Leon J. Lancaster, one of the best known transportation men in the Northwest and former general passenger agent for the American Mail Line and Pacific Steamship Lines, has been selected to head up the APL branch office in Seattle. His headquarters are located at 1228 Fifth Avenue.

FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS
JANUARY 15, 1940.

On London:—
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 13/16
Bank Bills, on demand 9/13/16
Credits 4 months' sight 1/3 5/32
On Shanghai:—
On demand 29/1
On Singapore:—
On demand 2 1/2
On Japan:—
On demand 03 3/4
On India:—
Telegraphic Transfer 1/3 1/8
and demand 1/3 1/8
On New York:—
Bank Bills, on demand 24 1/2
Credits, 60 days' sight 25 1/8
On Batavia:—
On demand 45 1/2
On Paris:—
Bank Bills, on demand 1/3 5/8
Credits 4 months' sight 11/40
On Saigon:—
On demand 108 1/4
On Manila:—
On demand 49
On Bangkok:—
On demand 150 1/4
Sterling Notes:—
Bank Buying Rate 1/3 7/8
Bar Silver per oz. 92 3/8

Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.

Silver prices were unchanged over the week-end, the quotations remaining at 223/8 for both deliveries. American Silver was quoted at 343/4 for Spot.

The London-New York cross-rate was quoted at 4021/2. New York-London was quoted at 3971/8.

Market

Extremely dull.
Sterling

There were sellers at 1/2 15/16 January and 1 2/29/32 February/March, buyers at 1/2 31/32 Cash and 1 2/15/16 Match, probably February.

U.S. Dollars

There were sellers at 24 11/16 Cash and 24 5/8 January, buyers at 24 3/4 Cash and 24 11/16 January.

Shanghai Dollars

307.

Shanghai Market

Sellers for Spot at 455/64 and U.S. Dollars at 7.31/32.

Afternoon Market

The market was quiet in the afternoon and no business was reported.

Sterling

The market closed with sellers at 1/2 15/16 January and 1 2/29/32 February/March; buyers at 1/2 31/32 Cash and 1 2/15/16 March, probably February.

U.S. Dollars

The market closed with sellers at 24 11/16 Cash, 24 5/8 January and 24 9/16 February, buyers at 24 3/4 Cash and 24 11/16 February.

Shanghai Dollars

Sellers at 306 1/2, buyers at 307.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Sterling sellers at 427/32 for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Jan. 15 (Reuter). Official T.T. Rates

London 0/4-1/2
New York 7-3/8
Japan 31-1/4
India 24-7/8
Paris 3-30
Hongkong 30-1/8

Sellers

Opening Closing
Spot 0/4-5/64 0/4-27/32
Jan. 0/4-13/16 0/4-27/32
Feb. 0/4-49/64 0/4-51/64
U.S. Dollars

Spot \$7-31/32 \$8-1/32
Jan. 7-15/16 8
Feb. 7-13/16 7-7/8
Market: Quiet.

Merchant Rates

Sterling, 0/4-13/16.
U.S. Dollars, 57-15/18.

Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d.
The Equalisation rate was 184 per cent.

SALE OF U.S. SHIPS TO BRITAIN

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—The American-Hawaiian Steamship Company has applied to the Maritime Commission for permission to sell the cargo ships Delaware, Louisiana and Indiana to a British firm.

PAYNE & CO.

COMMODITY BROKERS
STOCK EXCHANGE BUILDING
HONGKONG

COMMODITY MARKET REVIEW

(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

New York, January 13.

SINGAPORE RUBBER Previous January 13
Closing Opening Closing Change
Buyers BuyersS P O T 38-1/4 37-3/4 37-7/8 OFF 3/8
APRIL-JUNE 36-7/8 36-3/8 36-1/4 OFF 5/8
JULY-SEPT. 35-3/4 35-3/8 35-1/8 OFF 5/8

The market was quiet.

LONDON RUBBER Previous close Today's close
buyer buyer Change
S P O T 11-3/4 11-11/16 Closed
JULY-SEPT. 11-9/16

NEW YORK Cotton: Considering the extent of the selling, the market acted well and we see nothing in the immediate situation to warrant any important decline. We believe the possibilities are on the long side.

NEW YORK RUBBER: Some Trade support appeared on easy spots. Business in c.i.f. rubber was small.

CHICAGO WHEAT: Local buying held the market steady until near the close, when increased offerings and liquidation had an effect. Outside interests were small.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 145.96. Today's close, 145.19; Change, OFF .77.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION

STOCKS Last Sale STOCKS Last Sale

Adams Express 8 Kennebunk Copper 35/4

Alleghany Steel Co. — Liley Foundry & Mac. 4

Allied Stores — Libby-Owens-Ford Glass 48/4

Ails Chalmers 36/4 Lockheed Aircraft 28/4

Aluminum Ltd 98 Loew's Inc. 34/4

Amer Can 114/4 Mack Truck Inc. 26/4

American Cyanamid B. 2 Martin, Glen L. 36/4

Amer. & Foreign Power 2 McKesson & Robbins, pfd. —

Amer. & Foreign P. 7 pl. Monsanto Chemical 104/4

American Gas & Elec. 38/4 Montgomery Ward 51

Amer. Locomotive 19/4 National Aviation 11/4

Amer. Metals Co. 23 Nat. Dairy Products 16/4

Amer. Radiator 9/4 Nat. Distillers 23/4

Amer. Rolling Mill 15/4 National Gypsum 11/4

Amer. S'ting and R'ng Co. 47/4 National Lead 20

Amer. Sugar Refining 16/4 Nat. Power & Light 8/4

Amer. Tel & Tel 168/4 National Steel Corp. 69/4

Amer. Tobacco 86/4 Nat. Supply Corp. 81/4

Amer. Waterworks 103/4 New York Central 16/4

Anaconda Copper 28 Niagara Hudson Power 5/4

Atherton, T. & S. Fe. 22/4 N. American Aviation 23/4

Auburn Motors 24 North American Co. 22/4

Baltimore & Ohio 51 Northern Pacific 81/4

Barber Asphalt Co. 13/4 Owens-Illinois Glass Co. 61

Barnsdall Oil 12/4 Pacific Gas & Elec. 32/4

Bendix Aviation 27/4 Pacific Lighting 49/4

Bethlehem Steel 73/4 Packard Motors 31

Bliss & Co. 13 Paramount Pictures 7/4

Boeing Airplane Co. 22 Pennsylvania R.R. 21/4

Borg-Warner 23 Phelps Dodge 35/4

Biggs Manufacturing 20/4 Phillips Petroleum 39/4

Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans. 14/4 Pittsburgh Coke & Iron 71/4

Brooklyn-Manhattan 51 Public Service of N.J. 40

Canadian Pacific R'way. 5 Pullman Inc. 27/4

Case J. I. 70/4 Pure Oil 8/4

Celanese 27/4 Read Corp. of Am. 51

Chrysler Corp. 83 Reading Company, Conn. 14/4

Climax-Molybdenum Co. 38 Remington Arms Co., Inc. 41/4

Colts Patent Fire-Arms 80/4 Republic Aviation Corp. 5/4

Columbia Gas & El. 6/4 Republic Steel 20

Columbia 5% "A" pf. 89/4 Revere Cop. & Brass Inc. 12/4

Commercial Credit Co. 47 Reynold Tobac. "B" 40/4

Com. & Southern (ord.) 14/4 Richfield Oil 7/4

Consolidated Edison 30/4 Safeway Stores 44/4

Consolidated Oil 7/4 Schenley Distillers 12/4

Continental Can 23 Sears Roebuck 81/4

Continental Oil 23 Shell Union Oil 11/4

Copperweld Steel 15/4 Socony-Vacuum Oil 11/4

Crown Products 62/4 Southern Pacific 13/4

Curtiss Wright (C.) 9/4 Southern Rly 5 pf. 30/4

Curtiss Wright "A" 28/4 Sperry 43

Deere & Co. 20/4 Spicer Manufacturing Co. 30/4

Distillers Corp., Seagrams 18/4 Standard Brands 6/4

Douglas Aircraft 76/4 Stand Gas & Elec. 24/4

Du Pont de Nemours 17/4 Standard Oil of California 25

Eagle Picher Lead 10/4 Standard Oil of N.J. 43/4

Eaton Mfg. Co. 29/4 Stone & Webster 11/4

Elec. Autolite 38 Studebaker Corp. 9/4

Elec. Bond & Share 7/4 Swift International 31

Elec. Bond & Share \$5 pf. 60/4 Technicolor 13/4

Elec. Bond & Share \$6 pf. 87/4 Texas Corp. 44

Elec. Power & Light 27 pf. 32/4 Texaco Gulf Sulphur 33/4

Flintkote 18/4 Trans-Amer. Co. 54

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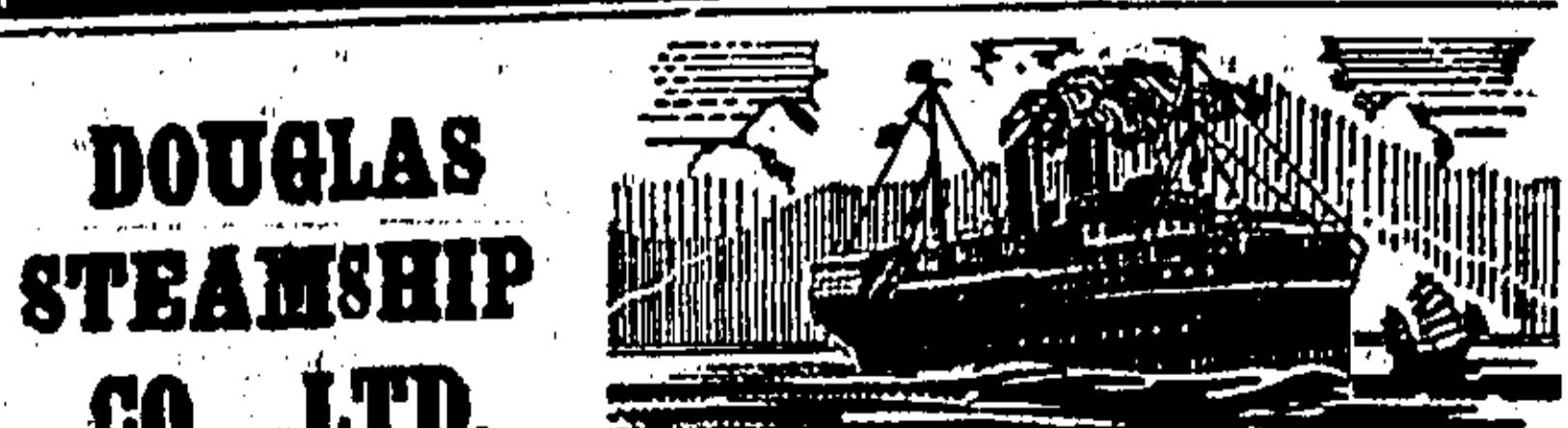
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WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory
10 a.m., June 15.
Barometer (at sea level), 29.94 ins.
Temperature, 65 F.
Humidity, 82 per cent.
Wind Direction, E.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 3.
Temperature; maximum yesterday
67 F.
Temperature; minimum last night,
61 F.
Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10 a.m.
today, nil.
Total rainfall since January 1st
nil.
Against an average of, 0.36 ins.
Sunset tonight, 8 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 7.08 a.m.
4 p.m., Jan. 15.
Barometer (at sea level), 29.80 ins.
Temperature, 64 F.
Humidity, 82 per cent.
Wind Direction, E/S.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.
Maximum temperature, 68 F.
Minimum temperature, 61.
Rainfall, nil.

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HONG KONG TIDE TABLE
From 18 to 22 Jan. 1940.

Date of Week	Date of Month	HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER.	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Tues.	18	h. m.	' in.	h. m.	' in.
		0 0	5 7	07 29	2 0
		14 11	5 0	19 21	4 0
Wed.	19	0 34	5 2	08 00	2 5
		14 45	5 2	09 53	2 9
Thur.	20	0 20	4 6	08 23	3 2
		15 25	5 5	22 00	3 2
Fri.	21	0 24	4 1	09 04	3 1
		16 15	5 9	23 15	3 1
Sat.	22	0 48	3 8	00 19	3 1
		17 10	6 4	09 58	3 4
Sun.	23	0 65	3 8	01 10	3 4
		18 00	6 9	11 06	3 4
Mon.	24	0 08	4 0	01 54	1 7
		18 51	7 4	12 15	3 4

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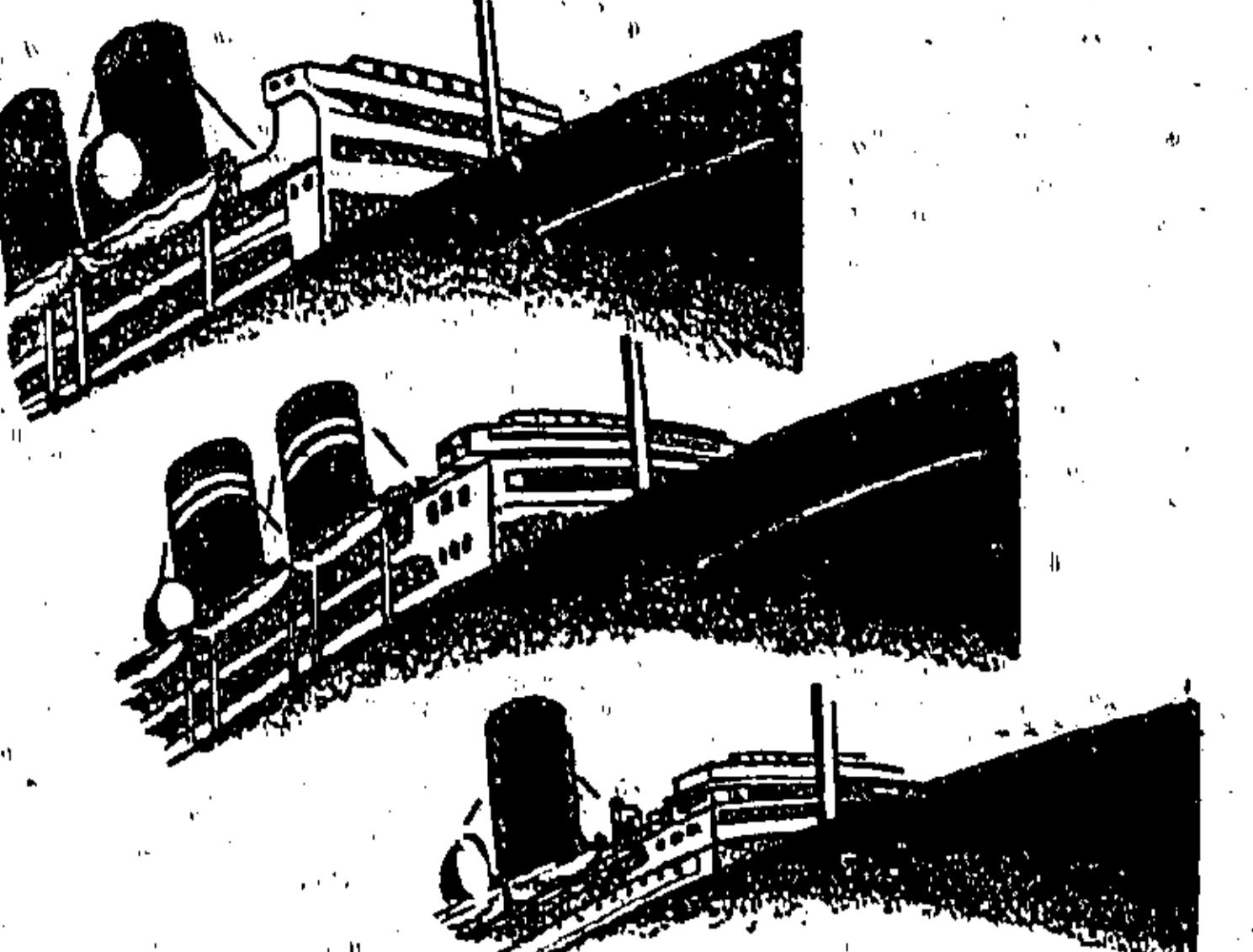
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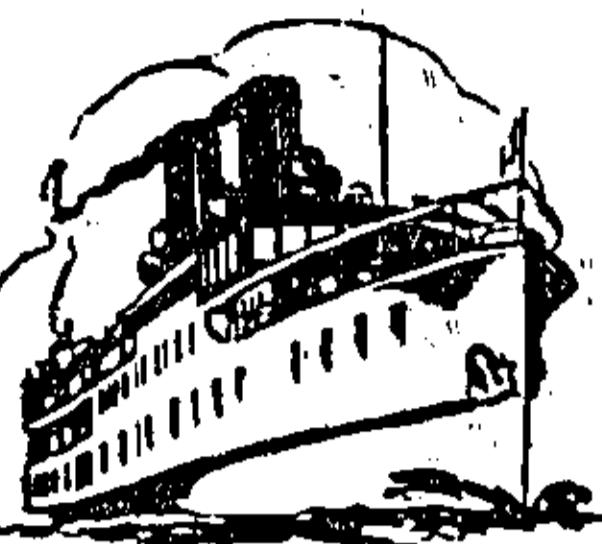
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RELENTLESS CHINESE PURSUIT OF JAPANESE: CONTINUED DRIVE IN NORTH KWANGTUNG

Good Progress Made Over Last Week-End

SHIUEHING, Jan. 15 (Central)—The Chinese North Kwangtung counter-drive continues to make good progress during the week-end.

Chinese forces in Fahsien are branching out in two columns in relentless pursuit of the Japanese along the Canton-Hankow Railway and east of the line.

Both Kuntien, the Japanese stronghold along the railway 25 miles northwest of Canton, and Kunyu, 15 miles north-west of Canton, are under direct Chinese attack.

In the vicinity of Kwoktai-hu, an important village five miles west of Kuntien across the railway, Chinese forces scored a series of minor gains last week-end, killing several hundred Japanese and seizing four field guns and nine machine-guns. The Japanese at Kwoktai-hu have retreated to the south-east.

CHINESE ADVANCE

MILO, Jan. 15 (Central)—Chinese forces have thoroughly destroyed extensive sections of the Canton-Hankow Railway between Puchi and Tingszekiao in South Hupeh above Yoyang.

Fierce fighting between the opposing forces raged throughout the weekend east of Puchi where the Chinese inflicted considerable casualties over the invaders.

Kwantung and Chungshou, two small stations on the railway, were briefly recaptured and later again abandoned.

CHINESE PRESSURE

FANCHENG, HUPEH, Jan. 15 (Central)—Increasing pressure is being exerted by the Chinese on Suhsien, on the Yen River about 34 miles west of Yingshan, in North Hupeh. More important suburban points, including Yuchia-lu and Chowwan, have been recaptured.

Maping, important Japanese salient south-east of Suhsien, is being surrounded.

More than 2,000 Japanese reinforcements rushing from Yingshan to Maping and Silo have been intercepted by the Chinese at Shihlpu, where spirited fighting is in progress.

In Central Hupeh, fighting continues at Sunzhakiao, Huangchatsu and Yangtsachen, along the Chungtang-Kingshan highway.

DUGOUTS ENLARGED

All banks, by order of the authorities, have acquired additional fire-fighting equipment, while the dugouts of various government or gans have been strengthened and enlarged.

All schools inside the city have moved to the outskirts in order to avoid possible large casualties in case of an enemy air attack.

While express and freight-service on the Indo-China-Yunnan Railway is still suspended, passenger traffic has been resumed following repairs.

JAPANESE DRIVE

LOYANG, Jan. 15 (Central)—Japanese infantry, cavalry and artillery units at Kaifeng launched a combined drive towards Chung-mow, 20 miles south-west of Kaifeng, on Saturday. Japanese guns heavily shelled the town. Fighting is reported to be still raging.

Covered by artillery fire, a Chinese force attacked Taikang, in east Honan, last week.

TOWNS RECAPTURED

SOMEWHERE IN SHANTUNG, Jan. 15 (Central)—Shangyantien and Chinkowien west of Kaomi, on the eastern section of the Kao-tsu Railway, in Shantung, have been recovered by the Chinese.

In a battle at Chihchiakow, south-west of Kaomi, recently, the Chinese inflicted heavy casualties on the Japanese and destroyed three Japanese trucks.

Several truckloads of Japanese, rushing from Ankui to Chucheng in east Shantung, were ambushed and beaten by the Chinese at Kanchuanling, south-east of Ankui.

Reinforced, the Japanese launched a counter-attack on the Chinese, but were again defeated. They suffered more than 300 casualties.

42 YEARS IN CHINA

Sir H. Phillips Leaves

Special to the Hongkong Daily Press

SHANGHAI, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—A large crowd of British and foreign military officials bade farewell to Sir Herbert Phillips, O.B.E., F.R.G.S., retiring British Consul-General who boarded the liner President Coolidge which is leaving early tomorrow morning.

Sir Herbert has been in China for 42 years. He was Student Interpreter in 1898 and from 1930 to 1937 was British Consul-General at Canton.

Sir Herbert is 62 years old.

Hongkong-Macao Relief Association Inaugurated

THE HONGKONG-MACAO CHINESE RELIEF ASSOCIATION WAS FORMALLY INAUGURATED at the Chinese Merchants Club yesterday afternoon before a gathering of prominent Chinese residents of the British and Portuguese Colonies.

Gen. Wu Te-chen, Director of the Overseas Board of the Central Kuomintang Headquarters, who presided at the meeting, declared that the National Relief Commission at Chungking has been deeply concerned over the large number of civilian refugees who have been forced to flee to Hongkong and Macao following the outbreak of hostilities in South China.

He added that the new association had been commissioned by the Chungking organisation to carry out relief work among the Chinese civilian refugees in the two colonies.

Gen. Wu expressed gratification and thanks to the Hongkong Government for the material aid given to the Chinese refugees here. He also thanked the local relief organisations and leaders for money and assistance given for the care of these refugees.

In outlining the object of the new association, Gen. Wu said that the organization would receive its support directly from the National Relief Commission and that it would co-operate with the local relief bodies in carrying out their programme.

DEEPLY IMPRESSED

Bishop Hall, in a brief speech, stated that the British community in Hongkong was gratified at the gift given by the Chinese Government and was deeply impressed by the thought that the Chinese authorities had not neglected their

FIRST FOREIGN AMBASSADOR TO VISIT HANKOW

The United States Consul-HANKOW, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—General here intimated yesterday that Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, American Ambassador, will arrive at Hankow on Jan. 29, with Rear-Admiral Glassford.

They will leave for Shanghai on Feb. 2.

Mr. Johnson will be the first Ambassador to visit Hankow since the Japanese occupation.

Guns Roar On Western Front

MUCH AERIAL ACTIVITY

PARIS, Jan. 15 (Reuter)—Guns and planes have shown greater activity than infantry on the Western Front in the past twenty-four hours, though infantry carried out the usual patrol reconnaissances.

Artillery has been busy again east and west of Vosges and north of Bitche, in the areas where the guns have been firing a good deal in the past few days.

AERIAL ACTIVITY

There was much aerial activity on both sides and German machines made long reconnaissance flights into North and East France, while Allied planes were busy over front-line reconnoitring and photographing while fighters protected them overhead. An unusually large number of fighters took the air.

Besides British flights over German territory French planes made long reconnaissance flights over almost the whole of South Germany.

CAVALRY PATROLS

It is reported that cavalry is now being widely used on the Western Front for patrol work and scouting in No Man's Land.

The cavalrymen are mostly Spahis from Algeria and Morocco.

Group Captain W. E. G. Byran, Air Attaché of the British Embassy in Tokyo, arrived by air in Canton on January 12 to inspect the conditions in the former metropolis.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 1940.

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